



ANDY Gray believes he was fated to score the winning geat for Volves in the 1980 League Cup Final.

Right up until a week before the game against Forest it was touch and go whether yould be playing or serving a

ne yould be playing or serving a sustension.

It all hinged on the result of an FA Cup Sixth Round to between his former cub astor Villa and West Ham seven days earlier. The only way he would play in the Final yould be if there was a definite result so that he could selve a one-match bar via a League game against Villa on the Monday.

A draw would have neant a replay to be staged mid-breek causing Wolves' game against Villa to be posthoned and Andy to miss the League Cup Final.

On the Saturday of the crucial FA Cup clash, Andy sat near ously at home listening for the result of the Villa (West Ham game, le retalls: "It was abony" "With two minutes to go, the scores were level and I began to resign myself to the fact that I wouldn't be walking out at Wemble the following week.

Then West Ham fun-back Ray Stewart can be to my rescue to score the winner from the penalty spot in the dying minutes.

"I was absoluten delighted. From then on I new I was destined to do semething special at Wembley."

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t Wembley."

Special indeed, but I doubt whether Andy will ever score a more simple goal than the one which sank Forest and took the trophy

on e which sank forest and took the trophy back to Molneux. He says: "Poter Daniel hit a ball down the mit did not it seemed too long and looked to be heading over David Needham into the arms of their keeper Peter Shiltor.

Although I seemed to be chasing a lost cause, so neething inside me told me to keep unning... and now I know why! David and Peter collided and the ball began to roll towards an empty net.

"I chased after it and had the easiest of tasks in tapping it home for the symmer."



FOUR top stars relive their most memorable matches It makes fascinating reading!

FORMER Later ull-back kirk Stephens will always beasure the day he become Ling of the

During the Hotters First Division clash with Liverpool Annield, he was collect on to deputise for injured 'keeper Findlay.

As if playing in a strange position against the League Champions wasn't bad enough Kirk wits asked to perform his heroics directly beneath a

packed Kop Cuite an ordeal for the Carite an olded for the present Coventry man who recalls: "I was fairly nervous but the Liverpool ians gave me a great reception as I took up my blace between the sticks. "They went or to cheer everying I did and helped make the ten minutes I spent in goal the most exciting and enloyable of my career."

One of the easons the fans took Kirk to their hearth was the fact that he were a Liverpool you'll beeper's shirt.

He explains: "We couldn't ge the Luton shirt of Jake because

the Luten shirt of Jake because of his injury and, as we didn't have a space I had to borrow a Liverpool jersey... much to the delight of the Kop.

"There seemed to be an instant rapport between me and the home fans as I walked towards them for the first time looked up to the heavens and said a little prayer.

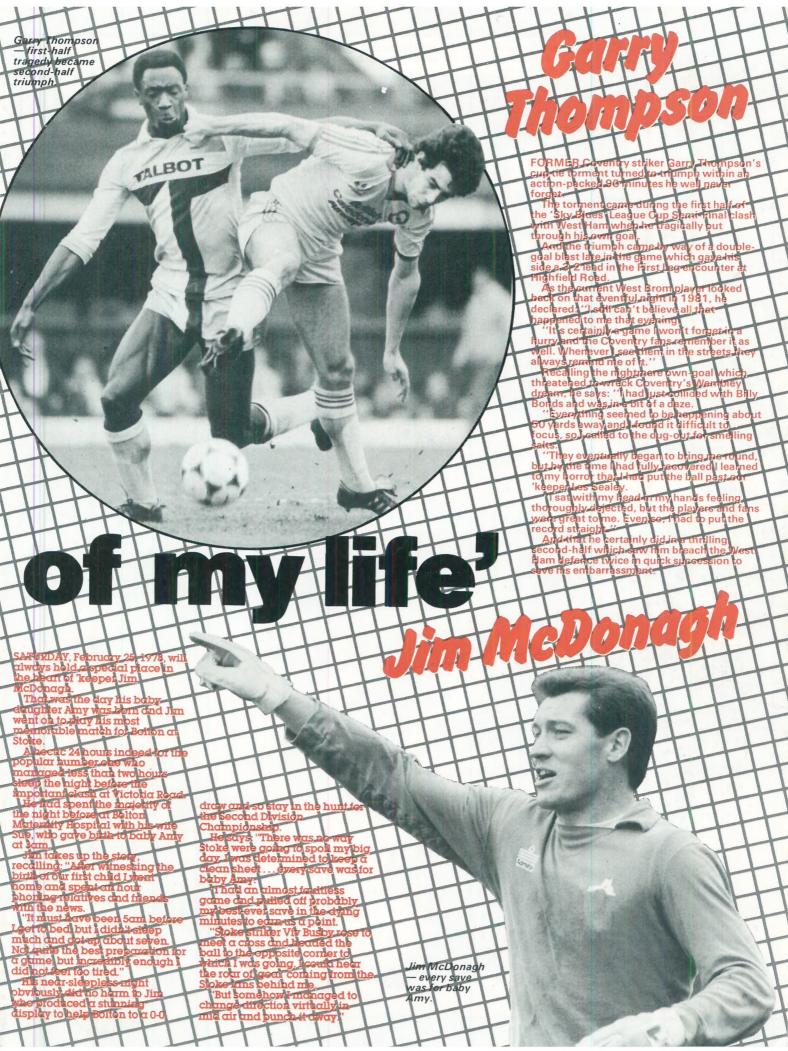
"No sconer had I taken up my position than they were

position than they were chanting 'Shakin' Stephens

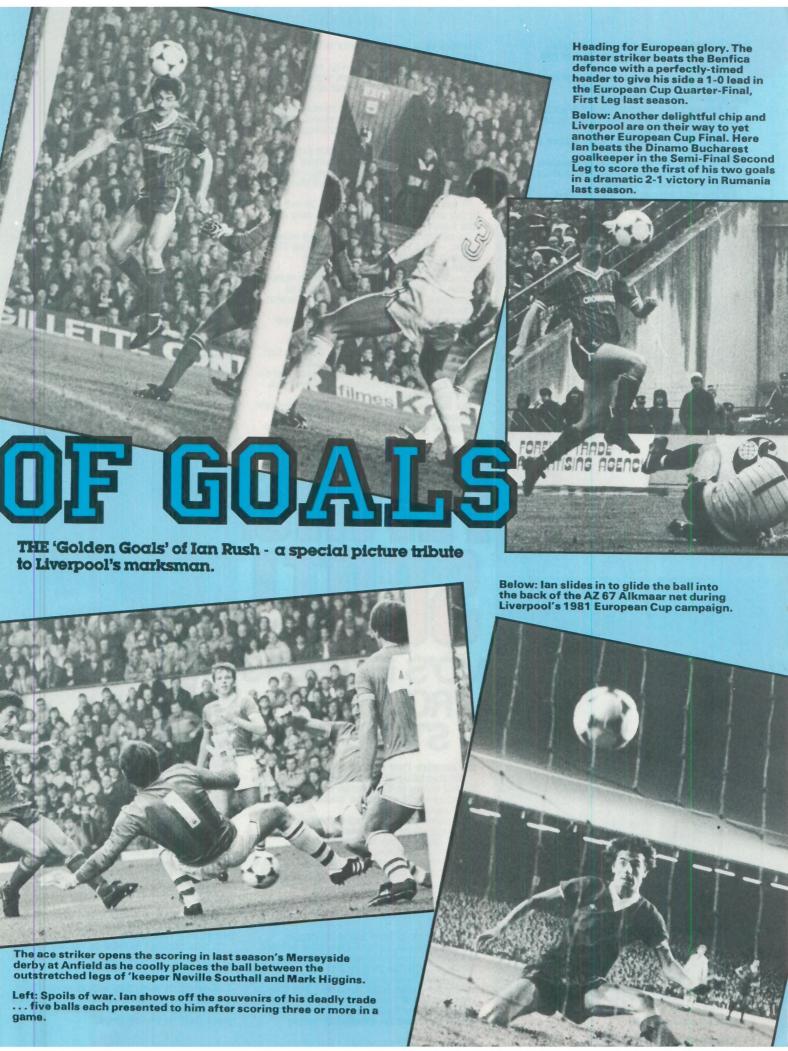
"They also started shouting things like 'Stephens is better than Shifton' but I didn't muite live up to their boast ... my first touch of the ball was to pick it out of the net! ... my first

"I didn't have much to do and after the half-time break we had a reshuffle and defender Mal Pencahy took a turn in goal. To round off a memorable day we came dway from miled with a very respectable 313 draw". 3 3 draw.









'MO' Johnston's dramatic rise to fame reads like an extract from a 'Roy of the Rovers' comic.

At the start of last season he was a virtually unknown but promising youngster at Partick Thistle.

By the end of the campaign he had established himself as one of the most lethal strikers in Britain.

And all that happened in the space of six months!

His transfer to Watford last November prompted little more than a few murmurs of surprise in soccer circles.

All the talk was still of the 'Bonnie Prince' Charlie Nicholas who arrived at



Mo Johnston — became a household name in six months.

Arsenal in a blaze of glory a few months

But it was 'Mighty Mo' who sent shock waves through the football world as his more expensive counterpart took a back seat.

The goals continued to flow and, by the end of the campaign, the flame-haired striker had become Watford's top scorer with 24 in all competitions.

Together with lanky striking partner
George Reilly, 'Mo's' goals helped Watford
to reach their first FA Cup Final and he
says: "It's difficult to believe all the things
that have happened fo me.
"I couldn't have asked for a better start

"I couldn't have asked for a better start to my career in England and I only hope this season goes as well."

In addition to goals, goals and more goals — not to mention the FA Cup Final against Everton — "Mo" made his international debut for Scotland.

And what's more, he scored the winner in the 2-1 victory over Switzerland at Hampden Park to write another chapter into the fairy-tale.

But it's a success story which almost never was . . .

Explains 'Mo': "Before the move to Watford I seemed set to join Everton but my club Partick blocked the move.

"I was bitterly disappointed and feared that I had lost my chance of playing in the First Division last season."

As the weeks ticked by and the interest in him faded, the 21-year-old striker resigned himself to an extended stay in

# SCOTT MO'S EXPRESS ROUTE TO STARDOM

the Scottish First Division.

But suddenly Watford manager Graham Taylor came to the rescue and "Mo' says: "It came right out of the blue and I had no hesitation in signing.

"It came as quite a surprise because, although there had been a lot of talk about clubs being interested in me, Wattord were never mentioned."

The 'Hornets' saw the young striker as a replacement for Luther Blissett whose £1 million move to AC Milan had created quite a gap in the forward line.

And the skilful Scot took little, or no time in taking over where the black goal ace left off

A hat-trick in only his third game against Wolves earned him rave notices, but still he modestly says: "I was very lucky to settle in so quickly.

"Scoring three against Wolves obviously helped me and from then on I just didn't look back. But I can't take all the credit.

"Big George Reilly must take a lot of praise because he creates so many



Luther Blissett — the man 'Mo' replaced but now back at Vicarage Road. chances for me, as does winger John Barnes."

'Mo' also puts much of his early success at Vicarage Road down to the fact that his move from Partick passed virtually without notice — unlike that of his international friend Charlie Nicholas.

He says: "After all the commotion of his move from Celtic to Arsenal in the summer I sort of slipped in through the door with next to no publicity.

"There wasn't too much pressure on me

"There wasn't too much pressure on me and that helped me to settle in. Everything was in my favour.

"It was difficult to take in all the things that happened to me and to reach the FA Cup Final in my first season was incredible.

"Playing at Wembley was a marvellous experience and although it was obviously disappointing to lose to Everton it was a great thrill to be involved."



THE English First Division's reign as 'The Best League in the World' came to an end last

Football followers everywhere must surely concede that the title is now the proud possession of the

The lure of the lire proved too tempting for many of the world's top stars and the Italian First Division now boasts the greatest array of talent ever assembled

In the summer of '84 clone, the wealthy aristocrats splashed out more than £17 million to take the world's most famous names to Italy.

And now the collection of stars displaying their skills in the First Division reads like a 'Who's Who' of international SOCCET

Just take a glance at the list of foreign imports on parade in NAPOLI were the biggest summer spenders as a result of the staggering £6 million they forked out to lure Argentinian superstar DIEGO MARADONA from Spanish giants Barcelona. The brilliant striker joined fellow Argentinian DANIEL BERTONI in

INTER MILAN chiefs dug deep into their pockets to find in the region of £4 million to buy West German striker KARL-HEINZ RUMMENIGGE from Bayern Munich and Eire international LIAM BRADY from Sampdoria. AC MILAN - not to be outdone by their illustrious neighbours strengthened their squad with the addition of England internationals RAY WILKINS (\$1½ million) and MARK HATELEY (\$900,000), who replaced the unwanted Luther

FIORENTINA were also among the biggest spenders having

splashed out £2 million to bring Brazilian World Cup captain SOCRATES from Corinthians The elegant midfielder teamed up with Argentinian defender DANIEL PASSARELLA. JUVENTUS - the reigning First Division Champions - were one of few clubs not to spend any money on foreign imports last summer. Instead they chose to stick with France's inspirational skipper MICHEL PLATINI and Polish international ZBIGNIEW BONIEK. ROMA also kept faith with the two foreign stars who helped

them to the European Cup Final last season and to second place in the First Division — to brilliant Brazilians TONINHO · the CEREZO and ROBERTO FALCAO. UDINESE also boast the possession of two Brazilian stars in the shape of the multi-talented midfielder ZICO and

World Cup team-mate EDINHO. The lure of the lire gives Italy THE BEST LEAGUE

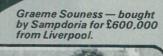
most talented players - Zico.

Roberto Falcao - the inspiration behind Roma.











SAMPDORIA restricted their spending on foreign imports to £600,000 on Scottish midfielder GRAEME SOUNESS who of course teamed up with fellow **Briton TREVOR FRANCIS** TORINO - in a brave attempt to keep up with the other top clubs - delved into the transfer market to sign Brazil's talented full-back JUNIOR and Austrian international striker WALTER SCHACHNER.

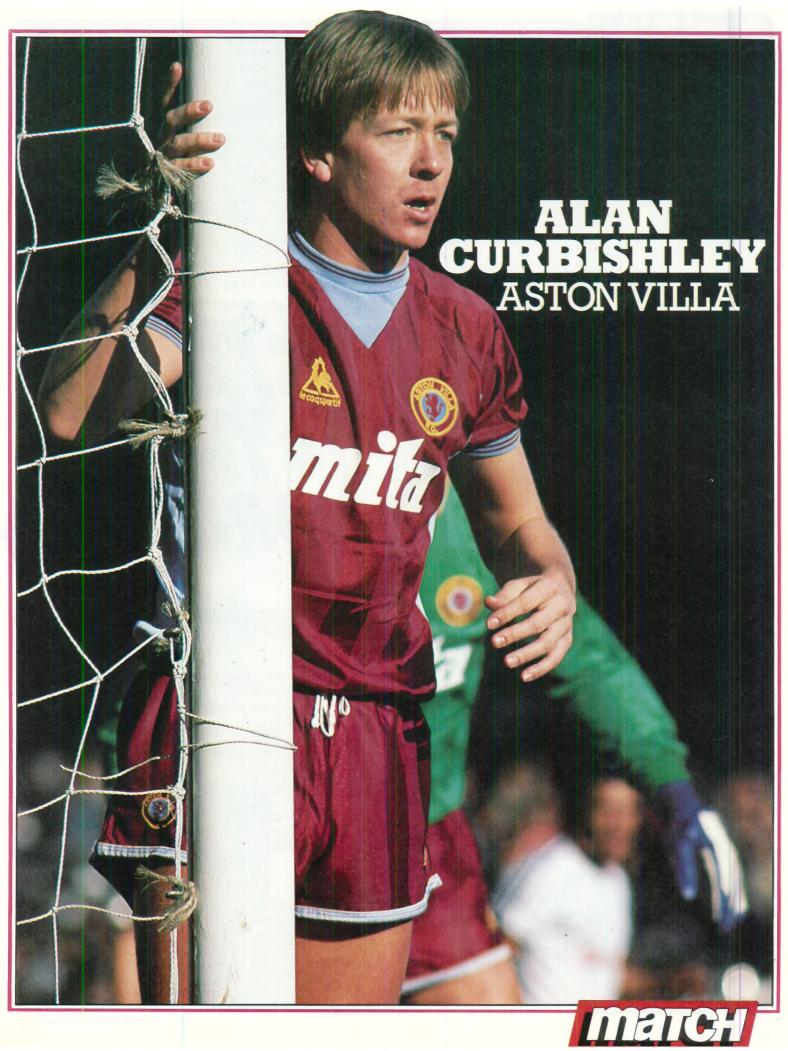
VERONA - following the return of Joe Jordan to English football - brought in West German hard man HANS-PETER BRIEGEL and the Dane ELKJAER PREBEN.

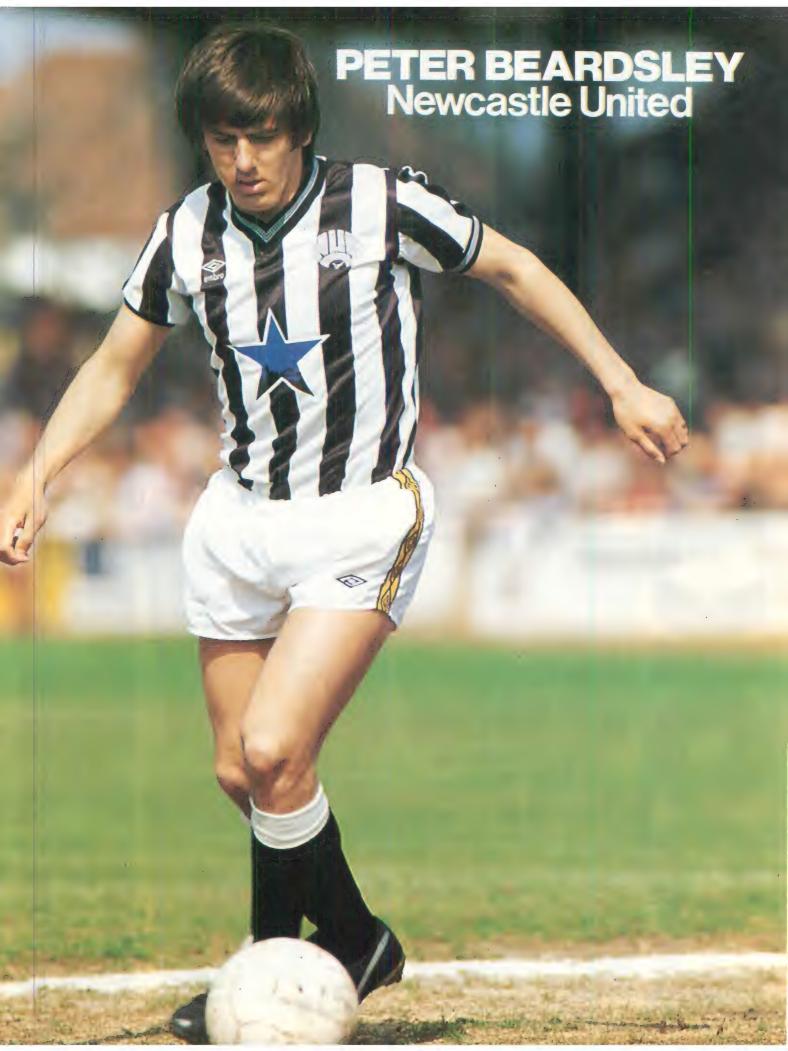
Elsewhere the remaining foreign players on show in Italy

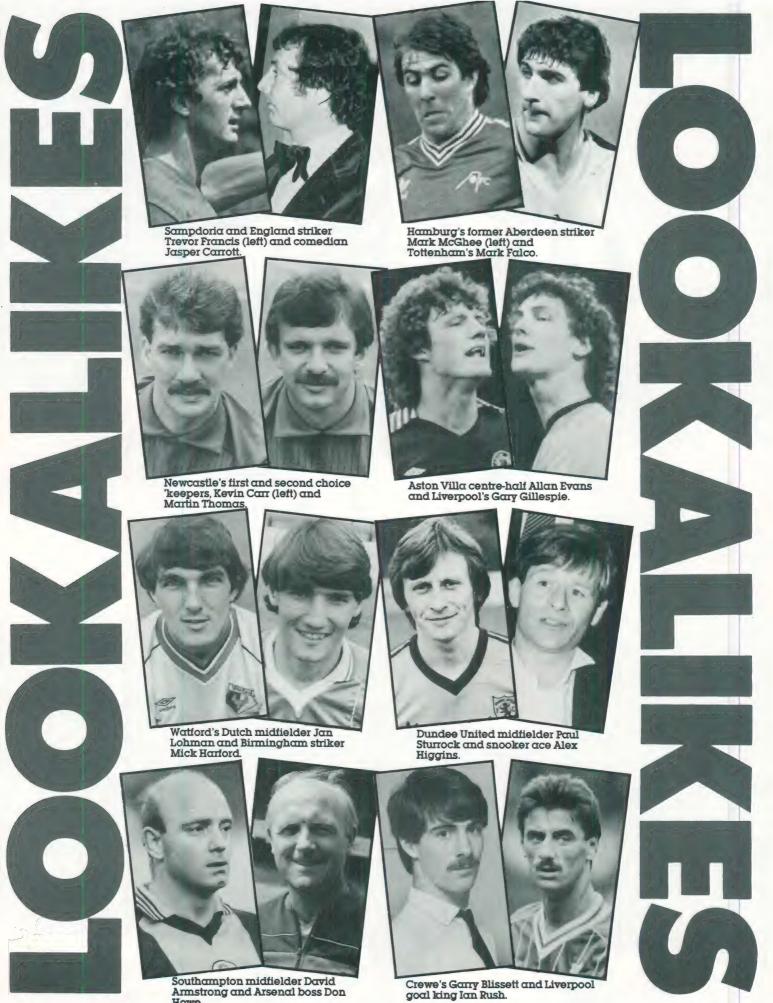
ASCOLI: LUDO COECK (Belgium) and HERNANDEZ (Argentina).
ATALANTA: STROMBERG and LARSON (Sweden).
AVELLINO: BARBADILLO (Peru)
and RAMON DIAZ (Argentina).
COMO: HANSI MULLER (West
Germany) and CORNELLIUSON

(Sweden

LAZIO: BATISTA (Brozil) and MICHAEL LAUDRUP (Denmark). CREMONENSE is the only First Division club without any foreign imports.







AS Pay Wilkins tasted life in the centre of football's most glamorous stage, he reflected on two of the most dramatic years of his career

years of his career.
Fortune was smilling brightly on AC Milan's newest star two seasons ago. He was captain of England and Manchester United and his club were mounting an exciting cavalry charge to challenge Liverpool's supremacy of the First Division.
But then his world fell apart one cold October evening in Bournemouth. Ray went in for

the ball against 'Cherries' defender Phil Brignull and finished in a heap with a badly smashed cheekbone.

The injury signalled the start of six nightmare months during which he was stripped of the England and Manchester United captaincy and cold-shouldered in the Old

Trafford reserves.
He remembers: "All of a sudden, not only was my place in the team in jeopardy but so was my future at the club."
Ray did pick up an FA Cup

winners' medal at the end of the season, but despite scoring a brilliant goal in the first game against Brighton at Wembley.

against Brighton at Wembley, rumours regarding his career at United persisted.

These were fuelled by manager Ron Atkinson's public declaration that he was prepared to listen to offers for his classy midfield star.

And Ray admits: "It was souldestroying to hear that I had no intention or ambition to go anywhere else. I wanted to stay at Manchester United."

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at Manchester United."

Arsenal were reported to be leading contenders for his signature. Ray says: "It was very flattering to hear that a club as big as the Gunners' were interested, but the decision to leave would have been mine and I don't think I'd have gone.

"I still believed I could rebuild my career and establish myself at the club again."

Unlike many 'superstars' who suddenly find themselves out of favour, there were no tantrums from the former Chelsea star



Manchester United and England skipper Bryan Robson — hot favourite to move to Italy in the

## RUBBERMAN RAY! WILKINS BOUNCES BACK AFTER TWO YEARS OF TURMOIL

disappointed that I couldn't get my place back, but United were going well and my replacement, Remi Moses, was

replacement, Remi Moses, was in excellent form.

"Losing my United place was a bigger blow than being dropped by England. The club was my bread and butter."

Ray's critics were having a field day as he struggled to battle his way back and he admits: "Some of their opinions really but."

admits: "Some of their opinions really hurt.

"But I never lost confidence in my ability. It does no good if you start doubting yourself. I just accepted it as one of those set-backs. Life is full of them

"I had a couple of chats with the boss, but nothing heavy. I was just determined to knuckle down and win my place back."

In typical fighting style, Ray did just that. He tinished last season as United's 'Player of the Year' — even overshadowing the brilliant Bryan Robson — and attracted the interest of top Italian clubs.

Giants AC Milan were

Giants AC Milan were prepared to offer a mammoth £1.5 million and this time Ray couldn't refuse the lure of the

'I was very happy at United and would have loved to have stayed, but I can understand the club's point of view. They got a fantastic price for me.

"And the terms were so good financially I just couldn't refuse Milan. I had to think of the security of my wife and family." The move to Italy took the 27-

year-old completely by surprise. The obvious candidate and hot favourite to fly the Old Trafford nest was Bryan Robson.

"There had been a lot of speculation in the papers about Bryan leaving so it came as a big shock to hear that the Italians were interested in me."

Ray flew out to Milan for a whistle-stop tour and was greeted by thousands of delirious AC Milan fans.

He remembers: "I had 10 hours of talks with club officials and then had to fly back for a Canon League game against Tottenham. I was totally exhausted.

"Leaving United was one of

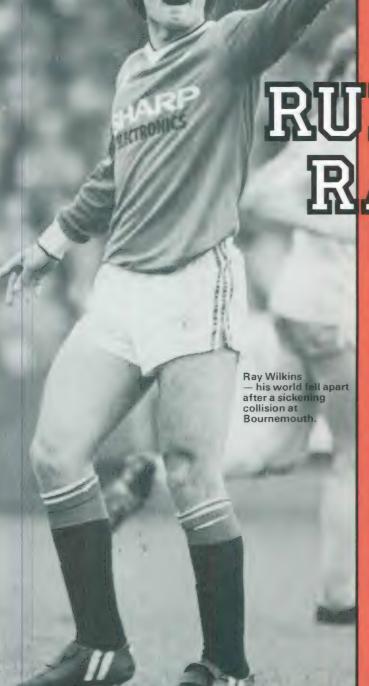
exhausted.

"Leaving United was one of the toughest decisions of my life and I was very nervous because the move to Italy was such a gigantic step.

"The biggest dilemma was my family. I had to be convinced that they would enjoy the Italian Lifestyle. It is so different to what they are used to."

used to."
Ray sought the advice of his former United team-mate Joe Jordan. "He urged me to snap up the chance of playing in Italy and said it was a fantastic

experience." The England staralso believes a spell abroad could make him a better player. He points out: "Kevin Keegan came back from West Germany a world-class player. I'd like to pick up the same sort of advantage.



KERRY Dixon always knew he would score goals in the Second Division. After topping the scoring charts in the Third Division with Reading he was full of confidence when he joined Chelsea at the start of last season.

But never in his wildest dreams could he have imagined how quickly the

goals would come.

"I had hoped to score about 20 in my first season with Chelsea, so to get 34 was marvellous," he recalls.

"I have always said that if the chances are created for me I will get on the end of them and that was the case last term." People like Pat Nevin made so many openings for me that I was

always going to score goals. It was just a matter of confidence
"I have great faith in my own ability and know that I can score goals at any level. The First Division holds no fear for me.

#### GOALS 1 & 2 — August 30 v Derby (h) 5-0...

"My first goals for the club and what a dream start to the season. The first was a header from just inside the six-yard box and the second a crashing half-volley."

#### GOAL 3 - August 30 v Gillingham (a) 2-1

'The start of our Milk Cup campaign. My goal came after good work by Paul Canoville who put over a deep cross which I headed down into the far corner."

GOALS 4 & 5 — September 3 v Brighton ( $\alpha$ )  $2 \cdot 1 \dots$ 

"The first was a penalty which I stuck away without too much

trouble and the second one - a half-volley from an acute angle – gave us victory in the dying minutes.

#### GOALS 6, 7, 8 & 9 — September 13 v Gillingham (h) 4-0...

One of those nights where everything went right for me. Two of the goals were headers, the third — one of my best of the season — was a shot which I curled in from 25 yards and the fourth was a simple tap-in.

#### GOALS 10 & 11 — October 1 v Huddersfield (a) 3-2

The first was a real battle. After lobbing the 'keeper I won a 50-50 chase with a defender to stick it home. For the second I collected

Left: Kerry Dixon-'l can score goals at any level.

the ball on the penalty spot, turned and hit a shot into the bottom corner.

#### GOAL 12 - October 5 v Leicester (a) 2-0.

'I turned a defender one way and then the other before lashing a shot into the far corner.

#### GOALS 13 & 14 — October 8 v Fulham (a) 5-3...

"The best game I played in all season. It had everything. It was made extra special because I scored two goals in my first derby
— the first a well-struck shot after

I had chested the ball down and the second a scrambled effort.

#### GOAL 15 - October 29 v Charlton

(h) 3-2 ... 'Not a spectacular effort but an important one. I got the winner right near the end after we had pulled back from two goals down.

#### GOAL 16 — November 22 v Swansea (a) 3-1 . . .

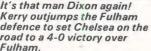
"It was the first goal I had scored in four games - the longest I went without a strike — and it was a relief to get another goal under my belt. I latched onto a long ball, out-paced the defence and struck it past the 'keeper.

#### GOAL 17 - November 26 v Leeds (a) 1-1.

I missed a couple of decent chances in that game so I was pleased to see my well-struck shot go in the bottom corner to give us a draw.

#### GOAL 18 - December 17 v

Grimsby (a) 2-3... "I got the goal from a penalty early on and when John Burnstead scored another we looked as





though we would cruise to victory, but Grimsby hit back and won 3-2."

GOAL 19 — December 26 v Shrewsbury (a) 4-2

Another penalty and there was a bit of pressure on me to stick it away because we were a goal down at the time.

GOAL 20 - December 27 v Portsmouth (h) 2-2

"I scored a rare goal with my left foot but I remember the game more because I missed two penalties. I was really sick about it and didn't take any more spot kicks for the rest of the season."

GOAL 21 - January 6 v Swansea

(h) 6-1 ... Paul Canoville stole the show that day with a hat-trick but I chipped in with one to restore a little confidence after missing a few chances and the two penalties a week or so before.

GOALS 22 & 23 — February 4 v Huddersfield (h) 3-1 . . . "I scored two against the

Yorkshire club for the second time in a season. The first was a shot from an acute angle and the second was a tap-in after a goalmouth scramble.



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Kerry powers in to score one of his three goals against Leeds to clinch promotion to the First Division.

Below: Pat Nevin-his creative work in midfield and down the flanks helped boost Kerry's goal tally last season.

## A goal-by-goal guide to King Kerry's season

SOAL 24 - March 3 v Oldham (h)

-0 ... 'A strange goal which the TV cameras caught. My shot hit the keeper and then bounced behind nim towards goal. I had a tussle with a defender before beating im off and tapping the ball

SOAL 25 - March 31 v Cardiff (a)

-3... 'A holiday in Spain failed to have he desired effect and with six ninutes to go we were 3-0 down But then I got a goal with a shot rom the edge of the box, Colin ee got another and Nigel packman scored from the enalty spot to mark an incredible ight back."

SOALS 26 & 27 — April 7 v Fulhorn h) 4-0

'Manager John Neal had a go at ne for not scoring many goals vith my head but I responded by lodding home a John Bumstead cross. The other was a lucky leflection off my thigh.

SOALS 28 & 29 - April 21 v hrewsbury (h) 3-0

Two more goals with my head ne after a long throw and the

second when I got on the end of a Dave Speedie cross.

GOALS 30. 31 & 32 - April 28 v Leeds (h) 5-0.

"Scoring a hat-trick to help clinch promotion made it my best game of the season. My first was a downward header, the second a chip inside the far post and the third a left foot volley from the edge of the box.

GOAL 33 - May 4 v Manchester City (a) 2-0 ...

"Probably one of the best goals scored on television last season. After good work down the right, Paul Canoville's nut-megged pass found David Speedie whose firsttime cross found me in the box and I stuck the header away.

GOAL 34 - May 12 v Grimsby (a)

"Another headed goal gave me cause for a double celebration. It won Chelsea the Second Division Championship and also made me the leading scorer in the Second Division — one ahead of Kevin Keegan."



THE last team to score 100 League goals in a season was Queen's Park Rangers in Division Three in 1966/67. The last First Division team to top the ton was Tottenham in 1962/63, while in the Second Division the honour goes to Southampton (1963/64) and in the Fourth Division, Bradford Park Avenue (1965/66). Last season, newly-promoted Wimbledon missed the magical figure by three

WEST Brom's goalkeeper against Coventry City in August 1979 was a Football League debutant called Gordon Nisbet.



John Bond in charge of his fifth club with his assistant John Benson.

From that day to this, he has never kept goal again, yet he's chalked up nearly 500 League appearances as an outfield player with Albion, Hull City and Plymouth Argyle.

**BURNLEY'S managerial** partnership of John Bond and John Benson have matched the achievement of one-time partners Brian Clough and Peter Taylor in that they have also been together at five League clubs. Bond and Benson's clubs have been: Torquay,
Bournemouth, Norwich,
Manchester City and Burnley,
while Clough and Taylor teamed up at Middlesbrough, Hartlepool, Derby, Brighton and Forest.

**CENTRE-HALF Bill Green was** with Hartlepool when they were re-elected to the Football League in 1971 and again in 1972; with Carlisle when they were relegated from the First Division n 1975; West Ham when they fell from the First Division in 1978, Peterborough when they descended from Division Three in 1979 and Chesterfield when they made a similar drop in

IN the last 25 years only three of England's home, full internationals have been played anywhere other than at Wembley
— against Wales at Villa Park in
November, 1958, against
France at Hillsborough in
October, 1962, and against
Poland at Goodison Park in



Kevin Reeves four divisions of the Football

ALTHOUGH no current Football League player has scored a hat-trick on his debut, the following have all made twogoal starts either in the League or the Cup: Paul Mariner, Joe Waters, David Shearer, Jeremy Charles, Tom Finney, Neil Whatmore, Archie Stephens, Milton Graham and Keith

players have been sent off in League games at Burnley's Turf Moor — more than any other ground in the country

THERE have been only three their teams to a Football League title during the last 20 years They are: Arfon Griffiths (Wrexham 1977/78), Peter Morris (Mansfield 1976/77) and Graham Turner (Shrewsbury 1978/79). All did it in Division

FIFA and former secretary of the FA — has attended every FA Cup Final there has been at Wernbley since the first between Bolton and West Ham in 1923.

MANCHESTER United's Gordon McQueen has finished on the following cup competitions—the FA Cup, the Milk Cup, the European Cup, the European Cup Winners' Cup and the Charity Shield. He also possesses a Division One



ALL of London's 12 Football League clubs have changed their manager at least once since the start of the 1980s. Terry Neill of Arsenal and Keith Burkinshaw of Spurs had both been in charge of the respective clubs since 1976 but both moved on last season to join the other capital chiefs on the move.

LINCOLN manager Colin Murphy is the longest-serving boss in the Third Division, yet the former Derby chief has only been in charge at Sincil Bank since November 1978.

THE smallest crowd to attend a post-war First Division game was just 4,534 for Leeds United's visit to Arsenal in May, 1966. The reason for such an unusually small crowd was that a European Cup Winners' Cup tie was being televised.

**KEVIN** Reeves has figured in all four divisions of the Football League with the following sides: Bournemouth (Division Four), Norwich City (Division Two), Manchester City (Division One) and now Burnley (Division Three).



goalkeeper for the day . that's Gordon Nisbet (above).

NO-ONE can accuse Brian Marwood of taking the easy way to the top.
Since joining Hull straight from school,

Sheffield Wednesday's new signing has seen the hard side of soccer. He has:

•Worked under eight different managers. Suffered the pain of relegation twice.
Faced the frightening prospect of his club going out of business.

Not bad when you consider that the striker is only 24-years-old!

But following his dream move to the First Division with newly-promoted Wednesday, Brian says: "I'm sure all my topsy-turvy experiences at Hull will help me with my new club.
"My stay at Boothferry Park has given

me a unique insight into the game and I'm sure I'm a better player for it."
Brian, who finished up as Hull's leading scorer last season with 16 Canon League goals, was chased by London giants
Tottenham, his home town club Sunderland, Luton and Sheffield United

before Wednesday manager Howard Wilkinson made his move.

He says: "It was great to know so many big clubs were interested but, once I'd seen the set-up at Hillsborough, there was no choice to make. I wanted to become a Wednesday player.
"I was thrilled to bits to make the move

and delighted to be part of Wednesday's return to the top flight. The club have waited so long to get back to where they

Brian admits that he thought his chances of playing in the First Division had gone forever when a move to Luton fell through three years ago as Hull faced the very real threat of going out of

He remembers: "The club was in the hands of the Official Receiver and the names of all the Hull players were circulated saying that we were all available on free transfers.

"I had talks with David Pleat at

Kenilworth Road and looked set to sign, while goalkeeper Tony Norman and Les Mutrie had been lined up by Birmingham. "But when Hull realised that they might be able to get some money for us, they

slapped fees on our heads

'I was extremely disappointed and upset. A chance to play in the First Division doesn't come that often and I didn't think I'd get another bite at the

cherry."
Hull were saved from the threat of extinction by new chairman Don Robinson and the appointment of manager Colin Appleton signalled an upturn in the club's

fortunes

So much so that Brian accepts: "The last two years at Boothferry Park were the happiest of my career there. We won promotion from the Fourth Division and just missed out on a place in the Second by the skin of our teeth.'

Luck dealt the club a cruel blow when they missed out on promotion by a single goal. They had to beat Burnley by three goals to pip rivals Sheffield United for the vital third promotion spot in their last

Brian's toug game of the season. Brian scored twice but the Turi Brian scored twice but the Humberside route to the



Moor defence for the all-important third

Says Brian: "Not being able to help Hull into the Second Division was the biggest

disappointment of my career. That would have topped two fabulous seasons for us."

But if Hull had gone up, Howard Wilkinson may not have got his man.

Brian explains: "I had an agreement with the club that I would be allowed to leave if

we didn't win promotion last season.
"Although I didn't realise it until after the game, I was just one good away from staying at the club. There's a good chance I'd still be a Hull player if we had gone up.

Brian's old club face a crucial season this term. The players have to get over the bitter disappointment of missing out on a place in the Second Division by the narrowest of margins and they have a new manager in former Luton star Brian Horton.

Says Brian: "I was very sony to see Colin go because I owe him so much.
"The particularly disappointing thing is that he was painted black and blamed for letting the club down by going. That's unfair. He is the man who put Hull where

Colin has seemingly plunged from the frying pan into the fire by taking over Welsh crisis club Swansea, but Colin says:

That's typical of the man

"He's going to a club which are in a similar position to Hull when he first went there. The challenge of making Swansea great again will stimulate and excite him."

Meanwhile Brian is concentrating on making a name for himself in the First Division, although he admits: "My first season will be like a journey into the unknown. I'm not sure what to expect.

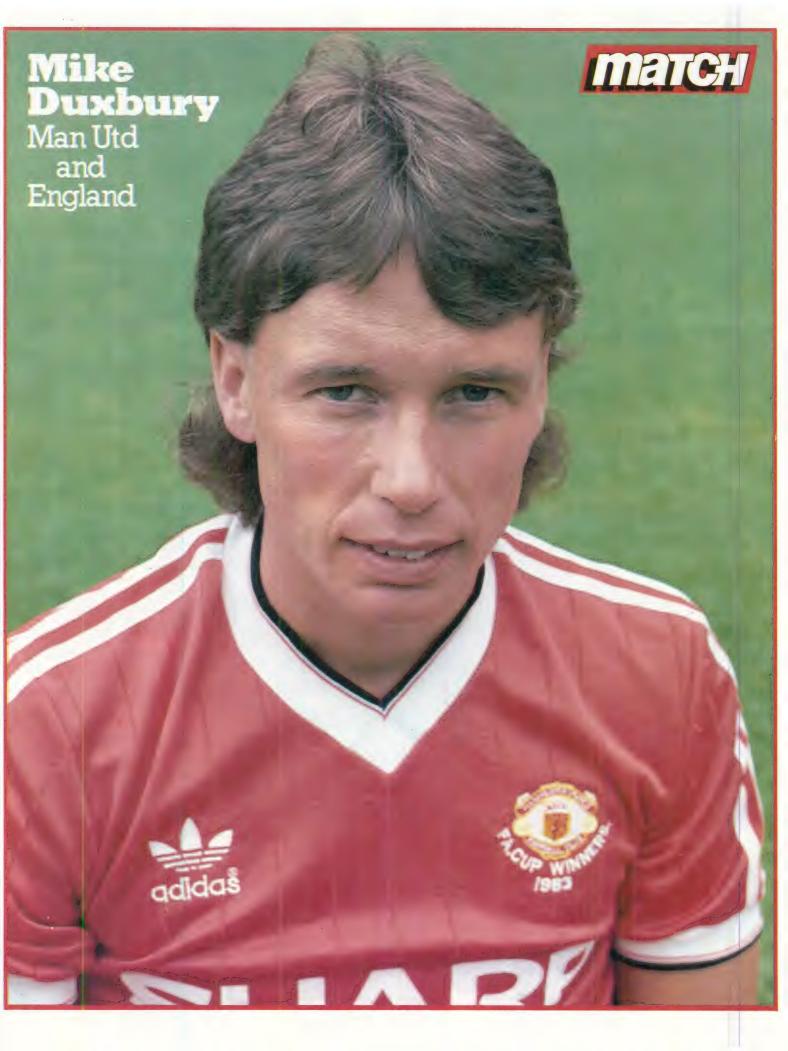
"But I've always had confidence in my own ability and I'm sure I can succeed at

the highest level."

Ambitious Brian would love some day to emulate his former Easington school friend, QPR's Terry Fenwick, and play for

his country.

He says: "I believe in aiming high and I don't believe my hopes are pie in the sky.
After all, it was only a couple of years ago
that I was playing in the Fourth Division
against Mark Chamberlain when he was with Port Vale. Just look what he has achieved since then!







At Aberdeen we used to train at Pittodrie every day, but here United have their own training ground and you don't see the stadium from one week to the next. There's also a lot more fans than I was used to. I'll never forget my United debut against Watford at the start of the season. I arrived at the ground a full five hours before kick-off and the place was already buzzing with people. Aberdeen was never like that.

FRANK: Yes, the fans are special and they have helped make Manchester United the big club they are. However, they can be demanding. They have been weaned on success. I feel at United that the players still live in the shadow of the great side of 1968, which won the European Cup and they expect that glory again.

GORDON: I felt that when I arrived. The fans are really fired up and they expect something really special this season — particularly in view of the fact that Ron Atkinson spent so much money in the closeseason.

FRANK: Sitting on the side-lines for the opening game of the

Right: Watford 'keeper Steve Sherwood dives in vain as Gordon Strachan opens his Manchester United goalscoring account.







AND GORDON STRACHAN'S ...

# TRAFFORD GROSSTALL

season, I know that the fans were a little disappointed with the start United made. How did their frustration affect you as a new

GORDON: I tried to block it from my mind. When I came here I said that it would take time for the new players to settle into the side. You can't put three different cogs in a machine and expect it to run as smoothly as before.

FRANK: From a personal point of view, how did you regard your start to the season with United?

GORDON: Although it took us longer than expected to get our first win under our belts I was quite pleased with my form. I was particularly happy to score on my debut against Watford. Even though it was only a penalty, it was great to get off the mark.

FRANK: I know exactly what you mean, although it's much more important for a striker to get an early goal. It takes so much of the pressure off you and gives the fans a glimpse of what

GORDON: I'm sure Alan Brazil will agree with that. A goal would have worked wonders for his confidence. The Scottish international had a sticky start to his United career, but I'm sure it would have been so much easier if he had got off the mark quickly.

FRANK: Yes, Alan is a proven goalscorer and I'm convinced he'll be a success at Old Trafford. He is a player I've always rated very highly. And I must admit I have been impressed by our other new signing Jesper Olsen. He has tremendous ability and whenever he gets the ball a special air of expectancy runs through the crowd.

GORDON: As well as being a good player, he is also a first class English teacher! He talks the language better than me and I picked up a few words while we stayed at the same hotel

FRANK: There was some confusion during the closeseason as to whether you would play for United or Cologne of West Germany. Did the speculation affect you?

GORDON: It was worrying for me, but I never doubted that I'd be a United player. I signed a four-year contract with the club and was determined to see that through. You had your own problems in the close-season with a knee injury.

FRANK: I was struggling towards the end of last season so the club decided it was best to play it safe and have an operation. It meant that I had to miss the start of the season and I was very disappointed, but at least the trouble seems to have cleared up for good.



Alan Brazil — teething problems at Old Trafford.

#### **ROD DREAMS OF ROCKING ENGLAND**

WE all know what a football fanatic pop superstar Rod Stewart is. But not so well-known is the dream the Scottish singer has had for a few

Rod, who almost made the grade as a professional footballer reveals: "My dream has always been to get selected for Scotland for

the match against England.

"I would receive the ball in my own half, beat eight opponents in a jinking 60-yard run and then chip the ball over the head of England keeper Peter Shilton for a last-minute winner."
Perhaps a good theme for a song, Rod.

**Hoodoo** hits

Reading star

IT'S no joke for any Reading

player featured in the club's

On three consecutive occasions last season, the players were struck down...as if by a curse.

game.

Getting To Know You' column in the match-day programme.

Centre-back Mick Barnes took his turn in the spotlight — but was dropped for that particular

Midfielder Wayne Tutty was next to be featured — but

missed the match through

injury.
And then it was the turn of
'keeper Alan Judge — but he
had to sit out the fixture

because of badly bruised

kidneys. Who's next for the chop?

SAN Diego Sockers' coach

Ron Newman isn't the type to

demand a lot of his players. In fact, he's more likely to join

them in the bar than tell them

not to drink. "Curfew," he once

quipped 'is when my players fall off the barstools.'

#### **BRAINS AT** THE BRIDGE

CHELSEA'S Pat Nevin is one player with brains in his head as well as his boots. The nippy winger — a bargain buy from Scottish club Clyde — holds a BA in Commerce.

#### **Smith gets** his teeth into his game

LEICESTER striker Alan Smith soon discovered how tough life can be at the top.

In only his second season with the club — his first in Division One — the 19-year-old almost lost his teeth after being kicked in the mouth.

The incident happened last season during a League game against Stoke when defender Steve Bould accidentally caught him in the mouth with

As a result, three of Alan's teeth - roots and all - were

sent flying!

Fortunately they were recovered, still intact, by physio John McVey who packed them in ice and took them to a Leicester hospital where Alan was given emergency treatment.

After a successful operation the brave youngster said: "They managed to get them back in alright but I'm going to have to wear a brace on my teeth for six

#### **DOGGY BAGS FLAG**

IT'S a dog's life being a linesman ...
An Argentine League match between
Tacota and Muelles was interrupted for
several minutes when a spectator's dog
ran off with a linesman's flag.
The stunned official, the referee,
players and even some spectators all
joined in the chase and brought the
culprit to 'ruff' justice!

#### It's a stick-up!

**GOALKEEPERS** are often on the receiving end of a host of objects hurled by the more unruly element on the terraces.

But Reading's number one, Alan Judge had to smile when he was tossed a tube of glue - courtesy of a 'Royals' fan who obviously felt he needed some assistance.

And it worked. He kept a clean cheet

## MIKE KICKS



Mike Hazard — sticky problem!

chocolates threatened to wreck his Spurs career. The sweet-toothed midfielder

piled on the weight as he munched his way through one bar after another.

The situation began to get out of hand and he recalls: "I was eating between 15 and 20 bars a day — in addition to my normal meals.

"It got to the stage where I couldn't go without chocolate and as a result I was carrying about a stone more than should have been

"It was affecting my fitness

and in some games I was praying for the final whistle with 20 minutes to go."

Eventually Mike decided to make a determined effort to get his weight down ... with a little help from Spurs colleague

Gath Crooks

Garth Crooks. He explains: "We were on holiday in Trinidad during the close-season and Garth was constantly taking the 'micky' out of me for being overweight. "In the end he bet me £100

that I couldn't get my weight down to 10st 11lbs by the time the new season came round.

"I accepted the bet and worked really hard during the summer doing a lot of long runs. I also cut down on the amount of sweets I ate

**CREWE'S STAR TURNS-BRADY AND** 

> **BRADY and Blissett lining up for** Crewe sounds too good to be true, doesn't it?

But, as far-fetched as it may seem, the Fourth Division club can boast two such players.

Not Liam and Luther, however.

It's Paul and Gary who are the stars at Gresty Road.

Yet, while their worlds are poles apart, the two youngsters live in hope of emulating their famous namesakes.

Says Paul: "I have always followed Liam's fortunes and would love to be able to match his achievements.

I have been a fan of his for years - mainly because we share the same name - but also because my father, like Liam, was born in Dublin.

'When I was at Birmingham the lads called me 'Chippy' Liam's nickname at Arsenal but at Crewe I'm known as Yosser' — probably because I'm a bit nutty.

Gary, meanwhile, has almost inevitably been named 'Luther' by his team-mates although he says: "I also get called 'Rushy' because I look like the Liverpool striker.

Left: Blissett and Brady - Crewe's Gary (left) and Paul aiming to emulate their famous namesakes.

# THE MILKY

"I managed to get down to the weight Garth and I agreed so I won the £100 which I said I would send to a 'charity' of my choice

"I chose to send the money up to my mum in the North-East because virtually the whole family was out of work and life was a bit of a struggle."

So Mike reported back for pre-season training more than a stone lighter and feeling fitter and sharper than he had done for a long time.

And it was just as well he

He was sitting in the stands during the Bill Nicholson testimonial match between Spurs and West Ham when an SOS call went out for him to join

The players were dropping like flies through injury and

substitutes. Suddenly a message came over the loudspeakers for me to report to the dressing rooms," he says, "If that had happened a few

months before I would probably have still been eating my way through my umpteenth

hot dog!" Ironically, all Mike's hard work to reduce his weight backfired on him a few months into the new season. He was told by manager

Keith Burkinshow to put on weight and he recalls: "I had lost about 22lbs but in doing so also lost much of my natural

"Consequently I wasn't able to produce my best form and my game suffered. As a result I decided to put a few pounds

HOW'S this for a shaggy-dog

One of Notts County's most loyal supporters is a Yorkshire Terrier called 'Muffin'. He's even got a season ticket in his own

His owner, Nottingham licensee Mr Tony Green, has been taking the canine fan to Meadow Lane for over seven

"He has been something of a club mascot, although I wouldn't say he's been that lucky," says Mr Green.

Clad in a black and white jacket and his County scarf, Muffin' has been quite a popular figure at Meadow Lane over the

And so there was some concern among Centre Stand fans when he went missing. He eventually turned up after a month's absence the day before County's FA Cup Fifth Round tie with Middlesbrough.

'I think he must have sensed something and decided to return in time for the big game. We won 1-0," added Mr Green.

DID you hear the one about the Irish footballer who got married in the middle of the pitch so he didn't miss the game?
Sounds crazy, but it's absolutely true. And where else could it

happen but in the United States!

Tulsa Roughnecks defender Vic Moreland didn't fancy going through the rigmarole of a church wedding so he and his fiancee decided to tie the knot in the centre circle before a game against Golden Bay.

Not the sort of thing that happens very often, but the former Derby defender's bride-to-be Lynn had a simple explanataion: "We couldn't think of a better way to start our new life together," she insisted.

The day didn't have a perfect ending, however, as Golden Bay beat the Roughnecks 2-1.



#### LENNIE'S SICKENER

YOU'LL never catch Charlton manager Lennie Lawrence singing 'I do like to be beside the seaside'.

Especially after his side's disastrous performances on the South Coast last season.

The 'Valiants' 4-0 defeat at Portsmouth over the Christmas period followed their 7-0 hammering at Brighton at the end of October.

#### Torquay come up trumps

TORQUAY found a novel way of paying for Burnley full-back Andy Wharton last season.

The transfer fee was a free weekend by the sea for Burnley manager John Bond and his

Torquay picked up the hotel and meal bills when the Third Division side visited Plymouth

in February. Good job Andy didn't join Hartlepool!



Geoff Palmer - hits back at the Molineux moaners.

#### **BUZZ OFF BOO BOYS'**

#### - GEOFF PALMER

**GEOFF** Palmer hit out at the Molineux moaners claiming: "They only come to watch us

The Wolves' defender's attack on the 'boo boys' came following a home defeat against Luton when some fans rejoiced as the 'Hatters' hit the winner.

Recalls Geoff: "That really made their day, I'm sure. It would have spoiled their Saturday night out if we hadn't

'We have a hard core following of about 12,000 but there is a section of the crowd

who have really got it in for us.

They seem to take great delight in watching us lose and go home disappointed when we win because they have nothing to moan about.

These people are not real supporters and don't come to watch the football. They only turn up because they have nothing better to do.

'When we won promotion the other year, everything was fine, but when we started to struggle in the First Division they turned on us. I have seen them destroy

#### iner to the rescue

ARSENAL striker Paul Mariner doubled as a fireman to help a friend rescue furniture from his blozing home.

Paul discovered that fire had broken out at a neighbour's thatched house in the Suffolk village where he lived.

Wasting no time, he jumped on his push-bike and pedalled like

mad to the scene of the fire nearly half-a-mile away.

When he arrived, the blaze had destroyed the roof of the 16th century house and, with water pouring in from the firemen's hoses, he dashed inside to recover furniture.

Recalls the former Ipswich star: "I only did what any good neighbour would do. It was just a case of trying to save as much of the contents as possible.

When Paul first heard news of the fire in the village, he feared it was the thatched barn on his land.

"As I returned home my father told me there had been a fire at the thatched place' which I took to mean my barn. I rushed outside to discover it was a neighbour's beautiful home.

"It was a terrible mess but at least no-one was hurt."

#### CRAZY BUT TRUE

MORTON players received an unusual offer from a local butcher in 1910-11...a lamb to each player who scored a goal. At one stage, several sheep grazed at Cappielow Park and centre-forward Tommy Gracie christened his Toby. It enjoyed the freedom of the ground for some time until coming to a sad and untimely end in the players' bath!



Arsenal striker Paul Mariner fireman for a day.



Anderson, Arsenal, on paper at least, appear to have completed the jigsaw.

With England's Kenny Sansom operating on the opposite flank, Arsenal boast two of the best attacking full-backs in the business in a defence that bristles with quality and skill from the likes of David O'Leary, young Tommy Caton and Pat Jennings, the 'Peter Pan' of goalkeepers.

Up front, Mariner and Tony Woodcock are one of England's most productive duos, and if both Charlie Nicholas and skipper Graham Rix produce the form they are capable of, then Arsenal have an outstanding chance of ending Liverpool's proud reign.

Although Liverpool are still a force to be reckoned with, the loss of skipper Graeme Souness to Sampdoria may have a bigger impact on the team that many

might imagine.

He was undoubtedly a key man in Liverpool's successful machine, and manager Joe Fagan will have more problems

FOR

replacing him than almost any other player in his superb outfit.

Big-spending Manchester
United are also expected to be
among the front-runners now
they have recruited top class
players like Scotland's Gordon
Strachan and Denmark's Jesper
Olsen, along with ex-lpswich
and Tottenham striker Alan
Brazil.

Much will depend on how quickly the new players slot into the system and there are many among the Old Trafford faithful who felt that United fluffed their best chance of the title last season.

But United's flair and inventiveness could bring a trophy to Old Trafford, although they may have to content themselves with the FA Cup for the second time in three years.

It's probably being suicidal to suggest that Liverpool won't win anything in England this season — we hope they can retain the European Cup — but we're going for Queen's Park Rangers to land their first trophy for nearly twenty years.

We're backing Rangers for the Milk Cup and so end Liverpool's four-year domination of the competition.

In Gary Bannister and Simon Stainrod they have potential match-winners but overall, they are just lacking the consistency to be strong title contenders.

Down the leagues, Manchester City, after going close last season, appear to have

BUNNERS



The arrival of Viv Anderson from Nottingham Forest will boost Arsenal's title chances.

the credentials to lift the Second Division Championship in a section where there aren't quite so many hot prospects for promotion as last time.

Troubled Derby, with big
Arthur Cox in charge after taking
Newcastle back to the First
Division, are well equipped to
win the Third Division, but
watch out for Division Four
Champions York City who could
prove a good outside bet for
promotion.

In Division Four, John Wile's Peterborough look strong contenders for the Championship judging by his pre-season dive into the transfer market.

# HOW WE FARED LAST TIME Our predictions What happened

Div. One Champions - Tottenham Div. Two Champions - Leeds Div. Three Champions - Sheff Utd. Div. Four Champions - York City Scottish Premier - Aberdeen FA Cup Winners - West Brom

Milk Cup Winners - Aston Villa

They did win the UEFA Cup.
We weren't even close.
Good effort - they were promoted.
Spot on - bouquets to us.
Success again.

Simon Stainrod had a

disappointment when QPR lost to Tottenham in the 1982 FA Cup Final. This

season he could go back to Wembley as a winner in the Milk Cup.

It had to end - a Fifth Round exit.
They made it to the Semi-Finals.

#### MATCH PREDICTIONS

Here's our full list of predictions for the season:

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Div. One Champions
Div. Two Champions
Div. Three Champions
Div. Four Champions
Scottish Premier
Champions
FA Cup Winners
Milk Cup Winners

Our predictions Your predictions Arsenal Man. City Derby Peterborough Rangers Man. United Your predictions Who won





BLIND panic! That was young Chris Fairclough's first reaction when he heard he was to make his League debut.

The young central defender was thinking of doing nothing more energetic than helping to serve the half-time tea when Nottingham Forest manager Brian Clough told his young protege he was playing against mighty Liverpool at Antield.

Remembers Chris: "The team

Remembers Chris: "The team bus was about 20 minutes away from Anfield when the boss came over and said I would be playing instead of Willie Young.

"It was like a bombshell – there were so many things going through my mind that I couldn't think straight and my heart was thumping 20 to the dozen."

In typical unconventional style the Forest supremo had decided to pitch his young protege right in at the deep end in the most daunting fortress of English soccer.

Says Chris: "The manager told me he wanted me to make the most of my speed against the pace of Kenny Dalglish, Ian Rush and David Hodgson."

Chris still shudders when he thinks of the game. He says: "I don't have fond memories of the match. I didn't really do myself justice and we lost 4-3 after leading 3-2 at half-time."

That torrid baptism was back in September 1982 and after that, Brian Clough eased the youngster in with 11 more first-team appearances that campaign.

But it was last term that the 20-year-old really came to the fore and his pairing with former Leeds centre-half Paul Hart provided the backbone to an amazing season, which saw the club finish third in the First Division and reach the Semi-Finals of the UEFA Cup.

And Chris's form was so impressive, that it persuaded his manager that it was time to allow vasily experienced former England defender Colin Todd a move to new pastures in the shape of Third Division promotion challengers Oxford.

Says Chris: "I hoped that last season would be the big breakthrough. After playing a dozen first-team games the campaign before I didn't really



Paul Hart — a big influence on the form of defensive partner Chris Fairclough last season.

## PANIC STATIONS!

## Anfield heart attack for new boy Fairclough

fancy playing in the reserves again."

Chris did in fact start in the second string and looked set for a lengthy stay there until Colin was injured on the eve of Forest's important UEFA Cup game against East Germans Voerwarts. That in itself was a baptism of fire as Chris explains:

"I'd only just recovered from injury myself and had played in just one youth team game when the manager called me up. It was a very daunting experience."

Since then, the Nottinghamborn youngster hasn't looked back, although he admits: "I've been very lucky the way things have happened to me.

"Other players have picked up injuries and I've been able to make the most of my chance."

Chris also pays tribute to the large part played in his firstteam development by his partner Paul Hart. He says: "Paul has been fantastic and helped me so much.

"He keeps me geed up and often takes me aside after games to discuss what I did right or wrong."

Forest's young lions proved to be one of the surprise packages of the First Division, although the season ended in disappointment when they were controversially knocked out of the UEFA Cup. The youngsters learnt the cruel side of football when a dubious penalty in the Second-Leg against Anderlecht in Belgium scuppered their hopes and prevented an all-English Final.

Admits Chris: "That defeat still hurts now. I get a lump in my throat whenever I think about it.

"No-one had given us a chance in the competition and yet by sheer hard graft we were within touching distance of a place in the Final."

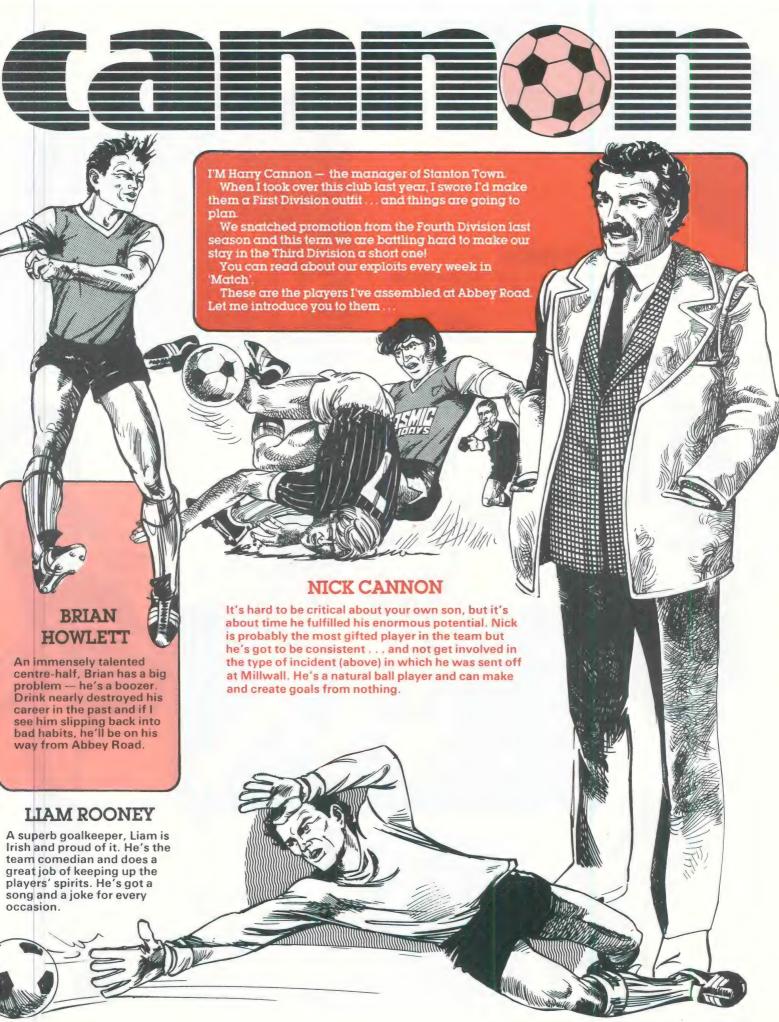
Chris admits that this season could be the real acid test for himself and his young teammates and he says: "The honeymoon is over.

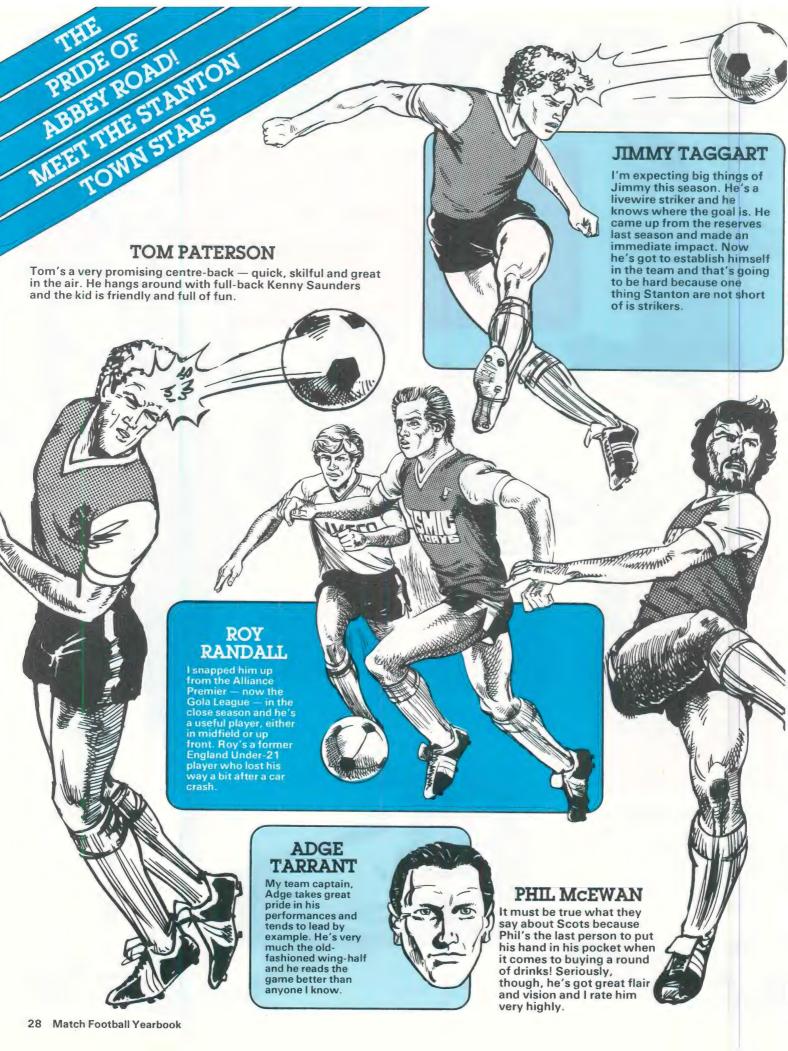
"People now know what we can do, so we can't allow the level of our performances to drop. We've got to be consistent week in and week out. You have to maintain a very high standard to survive in the First Division."

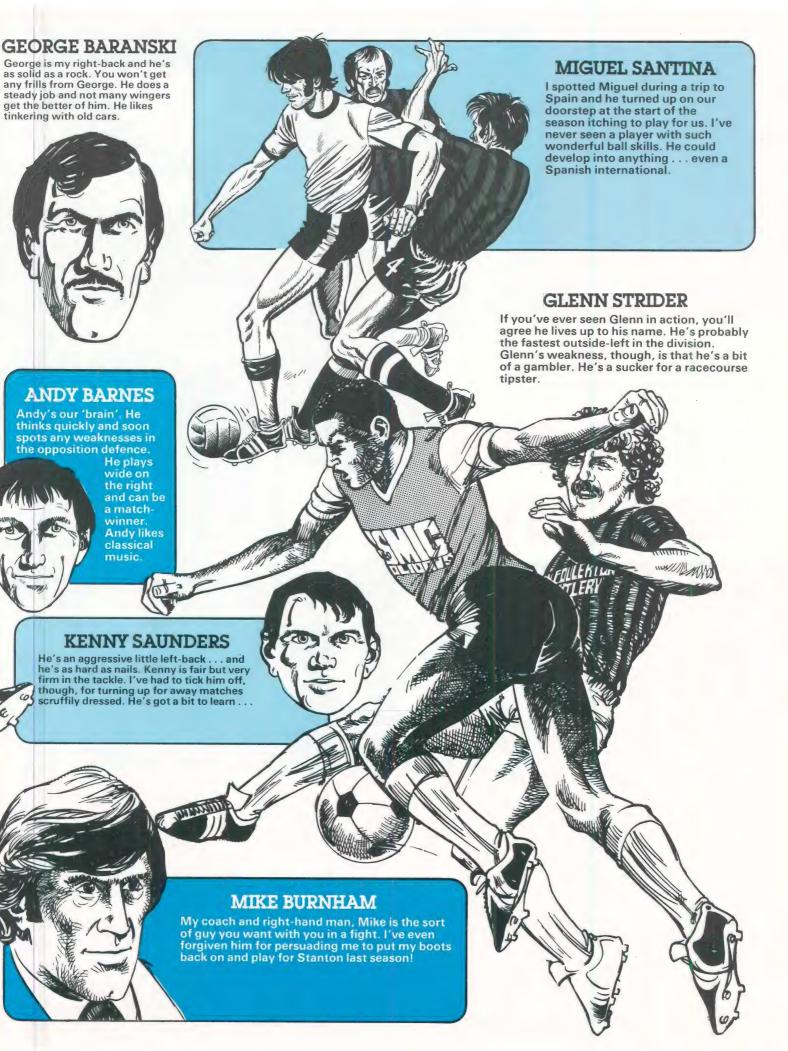
Chris believes Forest could be on the brink of a return to the glory days of the late seventies and that's why the youngster signed a new two-year contract with the club in the close-season.

He says: "I still had a year of my contract to run, but I am so happy here that I wanted a longer agreement. Now I'm tied to the club for another three seasons and that suits me fine."









MICHAEL Robinson didn't mind being called 'latty' by his new Liverpool team-

"It took me a long time to overcome the problem and it was a relief when they started calling me 'fatty' and a host of

"When they start taking the micky it's a good sign that you have been accepted by

mates.
In fact it was a welcome insult because it meant he had at last been accepted as one of the lads'.
Following his move from Brighton to the League Champions last season it took him a while to settle in.
He admits: "I was in awe of the players at the club and found it difficult to come to terms with the fact I was playing alongside them.
"It took me a long time to CROWN PAINTS A dream come true for 'Fatty' your team-mates and it made me feel a lot easier."

Michael joined Liverpool for \$300,000 and he says: "I couldn't understand why they wanted to buy me. It was like a dream come true. "All the players at Anfield are world class — the list of internationals is endless — Left: Michael Robinson - relieved when his team-"In my book people like
Kenny Dalglish and Ian Rush
are the greatest and I don't
consider that I can be
mentioned in the same breath.
"I think that was half my mates started calling him fatty. Above: Kenny Dalglish - one of the Liverpool stars Michael was in awe of.

and I couldn't believe I was

problem with regard to settling in at the club. At first I didn't feel part of the set-up." After scoring a couple of goals for his new club in the

pre-season friendlies Michael went eight League games without a strike

He says: "Going so long without a goal in the League was very worrying for me at the time

Being a striker you are expected to score goals and when they don't go in, people start to question your ability—especially when you have just joined a new club.

But manager Joe Fagan was marvellous to me and told me not to worry, assuring me

me not to worry, assuring me that the goals would come if I kept plugging away. Thankfully he was right.

In fact, it was another piece of advice from the shrewd Liverpool boss which helped Michael through his lean

For six years the Eire international striker were steel supports in his boots to protect the swollen crches of his feet

But on the recommendation of Mr Fagan he decided to remove them — and it proved to be a real weight off his

He explains: "While I was going through the lean spell the boss suggested I should play without the metal

I did as he said and it made a hell of a difference. I felt a lot sharper and so much lighter on my feet.

The first game I went without them was the European Cup First Round clash against Odense at Anfield and I got two goals

"Then I scored in the Milk Cup against Brentford, before notching my first League goals at West Ham — a hat-trick in the 3-0 win."

Michael is convinced that his three-goal show at Upton Park helped him in his battle to live with the Liverpool legend.

It also gave his colleagues a chance to play a practical joke on the former Preston Manchester City and Brighton

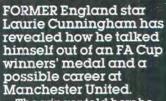
It is common in soccer that a player who scores a hat-trick

is awarded the match ball and Michael was looking forward to receiving a memento of the

But there was disappointment ahead when the ball went missing and it seemed he would have to return to Liverpool without the prized possession.

Unknown to him, however, his Liverpool colleagues had picked up the ball and hidden it on the coach — only revealing the news on the way

Says Michael: "It's incidents like that which helped me to feel more a part of things at the club and, to a certain extent, on a par with the



The winger told how he persuaded United boss Ron Atkinson not to include him in the team for the club's 1983 FA Cup Final against Brighton.

Laurie was tempted back to England on loan from Spanish giants Real Madrid by his former West Brom manager as

cover for injured Steve Coppell And Laurie says: "I had played a couple of League games for United in their run-up to Wembley and the manager wanted me in his Final side.

But I had some injury problems of my own in Spain and didn't feel I was fit enough and felt that one of the other players would be able to do a better job."

In the end, Ron Atkinson heeded Laurie's advice and he pitched in untried Welsh star Alan Davies ... with devastating results.

Says Laurie: "In the end, my decision was justified because Alan had two great games at

Right: Laurie Cunningham gave up the chance of an FA Cup winners' medal.

Below: Manchester United's FA Cup Final hero Alan Davies.

Min



says Laurie Cunningham

with injuries and it was obvious from the start that the Spanish Press had it in for me

wasn't a popular addition to the team because the club had signed me against the wishes of the newspapers. Most of them had campaigned for Real to buy Kevin Keegan." Despite helping Real Madrid to the League and Cup double

in his first season, Laurie never won over the hostile Spanish

And the trouble came to a head in his second campaign when he suffered a knee injury which kept him out of the game for almost two years and wrecked his career with the club.

Says Laurie: "The treatment I got from the Press was terrible. Some of them openly accused me of faking.

Keen to get rid of their 'problem boy', Real loaned Laurie to United, but the First Division giants didn't follow up their interest and last season he was back in Spain again -

on loan — to Sporting Gijon.
"I enjoyed last season
because I finally proved my
fitness again and I showed I

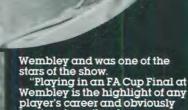
wasn't injury-prone."
The 28-year-old could have signed for Sporting on a permanent basis this season, but he chose to take his undoubted talents to France and newly-promoted First Division side Olympic Marseilles.

He says: "I fancied the idea of playing elsewhere in Europe and I've always admired the

French style of play." Laurie admits that moving abroad cost him a chance to doroda cost mind a chance to increase his tally of six England caps, but he says defiantly: "I'm still good enough to play for my country. "I was very disappointed to slip out of the international

scene so quickly, but in Spain I was out of the picture and noone knew how I was playing.

"But I haven't given up hope of being selected again and I'm determined to prove to people that I'm no has-been



turning down the chance was a difficult decision to make. "But I didn't feel that I would have done myself - or the club justice.

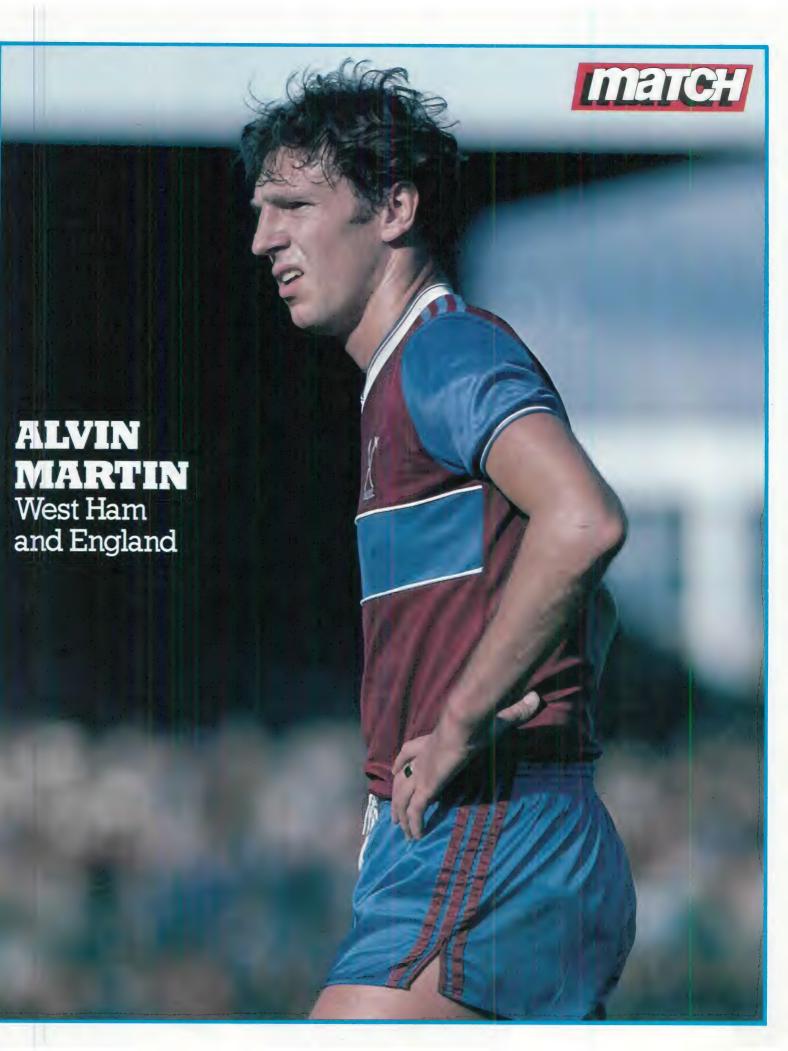
Laurie's decision probably cost him a chance of ressurecting his career in England, although he says: "I

have no regrets.
"I thoroughly enjoyed my short spell at Old Trafford. After all the trials and tribulations I'd suffered in Spain, playing in England was like having a huge weight lifted off my shoulders."

Laurie was on the crest of a wave when he made the £900,000 move from West Brom to Real Madrid — one of the greatest clubs in the world.

But he admits that since his transfer in June 1979, he has become a 'forgotten man'. He says: "I was very unlucky







**FULL NAME: John Anthony** Bailey.
BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Liverpool/April 1, 1957. HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5ft 8ins/ 11st 5lbs. MARRIED: Yes, to Joan. CAR: I'm not driving at the moment.
PREVIOUS CLUBS: Blackburn.

TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: Panel beater.
NICKNAME AT CLUB AND WHY:
Gnasher - after the character in

the Beano.
WORST EVER INJURY: Blood clot
on a calf muscle about five years

FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER AND WHY: Phil Neal he's a great professional. **FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM:** Blackburn.

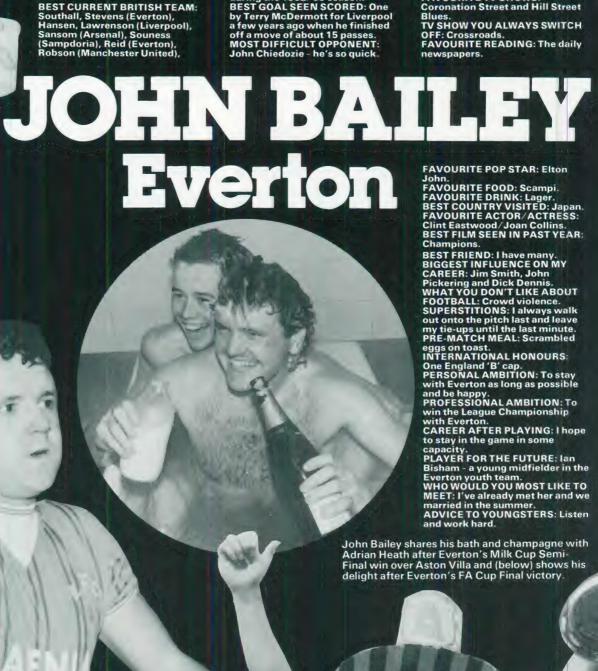
FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY: The Brazilian Junior one of the greatest attacking fullbacks.

Hoddle (Spurs), Rush, Dalglish Hoddle (Spurs), Rush, Dalglish (Liverpool). BEST CURRENT INTERNATIONAL XI: Southall (Wales), Kaltz (West Germany), Junior (Brazil), Hansen (Scotland), Lawrenson (Eire), Souness (Scotland), Robson (England), Zico (Brazil), Rush (Wales), Dalglish (Scotland), Rossi (Italy). FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: The FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM AT WHICH YOU HAVE PLAYED: The Olympic Stadium in Tokyo. BEST GOAL SCORED: A shot from inside my own half against Luton during the 1982/83 season. BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: One

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: The 1984 FA Cup Final against Watford.
OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN
FOOTBALL: Winning the above

match 2-0 and going up to collect my winners' medal.
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT:
Losing in the Final of the Milk Cup to Liverpool after a replay in the same season (1983/84).
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS:

Boxing and snooker.
MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Playing snooker and golf with the lads.
MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Bad mannered people and gardening. FAVOURITE TV SHOWS: **Coronation Street and Hill Street** 





Kevin Keegan in action for Hamburg he's been followed to the club by Mark McGhee.

SCOTTISH international Mark McGhee this season faces the daunting prospect of following in the footsteps of the great Kevin Keegan

The former Aberdeen striker has exported his considerable skills to West German giants Hamburg — the club where the once-England skipper firmly established himself as a world-

Kevin was the last British player to wear the Hamburg shirt before Mark's arrival, so the Scotsman will be closely watched by the discerning German fans.

But Mark admits candidly: "I can't hope to emulate the fantastic success Kevin had over here, but if I can achieve just a fraction I'll be very happy.

Kevin is still held in very high esteem over here. He was

popular with both the players and the fans.

Mark had been the subject of plenty of transfer speculation last season and had been linked with lira-laden Italy and England as well as West Germany.

But he says: "As soon as I decided to quit Scottish football I knew I wanted to come here.

I had played in West Germany a few times with Aberdeen and liked both the country and the football. The standard is very high and the facilities are second to none

'And Hamburg are geared for success. They won the European Cup a couple of years ago and only just missed out on the League title

last season.

And I was tremendously impressed by club manager Gunter Netzer and coach Ernst Happel. They seemed desperate to sign me. In fact the whole place was buzzing at the prospect of me going there. It was great to

# **ING IN KEEGAN'S FOOTSTEPS**

### The daunting task facing Aberdeen export Mark McGhee . .

Despite getting sent off in his first game for his new club - in a pre-season friendly -£300,000 signing says: "There shouldn't be too many problems settling in.

"I'm sure the club will try to adapt to my style of play.

The 27-year-old signed for Hamburg just 48 hours after scoring the goal which brought the 'Dons' their first-ever League and Cup double.

His winner against Celtic in the Scottish Cup Final was his last game for the Pittodrie club and he says: "I'm so happy that I was able to go out in style.

"I was determined to put on a good show. I didn't want Aberdeen to lose, and people to point the accusing finger at me and say I didn't care because I was leaving.

The striker admits that it was with a heavy heart that he finally decided to end his glittering career with Scottish giants Aberdeen, but he complains: "I wasn't wanted at Pittodrie.

I had intended to put down my roots in the city. I wanted to buy a new house there and plan for the future by studying at the Open University.

Mark says he approached manager Alex Ferguson last year about a new contract ironically on the club's pre-season tour of West Germany

'Money was mentioned but I didn't make any unreasonable financial demands. The fact of the matter is, if Aberdeen had offered me half of Hamburg's terms I would have been only too glad to have pledged myself to the club for the rest of my career.

Even after I mentioned my contract a second time, I got no response. Absolutely nothing was done to keep me at the club and I feel I was put in a position where I had no

option but to move.

'I was very disappointed because I have had the best years of my career there," says Mark, who joined Aberdeen from Newcastle for £80,000.

Scottish striker Mark McGhee takes on England skipper Bryan Robson. The new Hamburg signing faces a dounting

Mark followed in the footsteps of Manchester United-bound Gordon Strachan and the club were later hit by the transfer of full-back Doug Rougvie.

Despite losing three vital players, Mark is convinced that his old team will continue to dominate Scottish soccer. He says: "They'll end up with a few more trophies in the cabinet at the end of the season.

"People gasped and wondered what would happen when players like Steve Archibald were allowed to leave a few years back.

'The club continued to flourish. In fact, it was Steve's departure which gave me my chance at the club.



CAN you tell where these six

stars began their League

Mark Chamberlain (Stoke)

Adrian Heath (Everton)

Joey Jones (Chelsea) Paul Walsh (Liverpool)

5 Gerry Daly (Coventry) 6 Steve Walford (West Ham)

careers?

### SPOT THE STAR

CAN you identify this Welsh international who helped his club to promotion last season?

### TRUE or FALSE

1 Everton's FA Cup Final winning goalkeeper Nev Southall was loaned out to Bury before establishing himself at Goodison Park. 2 Liverpool's Venny Dalglish was the only play

2 Liverpool's Kenny Dalglish was the only player to miss a penalty in the shoot-out against Roma of Italy in the 1984 European Cup Final.

3 Third Division Gillingham play at Priestfield Stadium.

4 Watford manager Graham Taylor signed midfielder Les Taylor from Oxford.

5 Manchester United's young striker Mark Hughes scored on his full Welsh debut against England.

### TOP TEN QUIZ

TEST your knowledge with this quiz.

1 From which club did Sheffield Wednesday buy striker Brian Marwood?

2 How many goals did Liverpool's Ian Rush score in all competitions last season?

3 Where do Scottish Premier Division Dundee play their home games?

4 Name the four teams promoted from Division Four last season.

5 At which club did Brighton striker Frank Worthington start his League career?

6 Who finished last season as Tottenham's leading scorer in the First Division?

7 Which Second Division club are known as 'The Latics'?

8 How many times was West Ham goalkeeper Phil Parkes capped by England at full international level?

9 Alan Ball took over as Portsmouth boss in the close season. Who was his predecessor? 10 Name the England goalscorers in their historic 2-0 victory against Brazil in the Maracana Stadium.



Phil Parkes: If you know how many times the West Ham star has been capped by England you've got the answer to question eight in the Top Ten Quiz.

A, B, C, D, E or F?



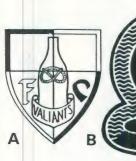






Player

UNRAVEL the letters in these jumbles to discover the identity of three top players.





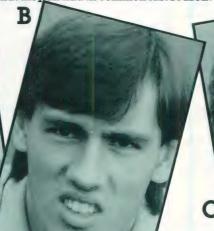
### **BADGE POSER**

CAN you identify these Canon League clubs by their crests?

How did you fare? Answers are on page 126.



CAN you name these three strikers, the clubs they play for and what they all had in common last season?





1 Billy Gilbert 2 Tommy Wright 3 Geoff Crudgington

4 Peter Fox 5 David Felgate A Leeds B Stoke

C Lincoln D Portsmouth

E Plymouth

..... scored his 100th League goal in England for Liverpool against

..beat ..... .... to win the UEFA Cup at... England and Manchester United captain...

started his League career with ... ... knocked Manchester United out of the FA Cup at ... England's reserve keeper on their South American tour was....

France skipper . . . . . . . scored 6 hat-tricks in the European Championship Finals First Round against ...and.....

### THE DOC HEAPS PRAISE **ENGLAND'S WIDE BOYS**

**TOMMY** Docherty has been saying it for years.

And England's sensational victory over Brazil underlined his point ... England need wingers!

Before England's closeseason tour of South America, 'The Doc' — one of football's most colourful characters had insisted once again: "We must play with wide men."

And the outspoken Wolves boss was seemingly proved right when Stoke's Mark Chamberlain and Wattord's John Barnes tormented the Brazilian defence with dazzling displays reminiscent of the former World Champions themselves.

And it was the talented Barnes who stunned the yellow and green-clad fans in the famous Maracana Stadium with a scintillating solo goal setting England on the road to a memorable victory

The events of that historic night strengthened The Doc's belief that wingers still have a vital role to play in our national side

Says the Wolves manager: "I have felt for a while that England would benefit from playing Mark wide out on the right and John on the left.

And I was delighted to see Bobby Robson turn the clock back and play the two wide men in South America where it certainly seemed to pay dividends

The Doc is full of praise for the speedy Stoke man who, he maintains, possesses a quality missing in many young players

today.

He insists: "Whenever Mark gets the ball, you always sense that something is going to happen and he is able to set a crowd buzzing in anticipation.

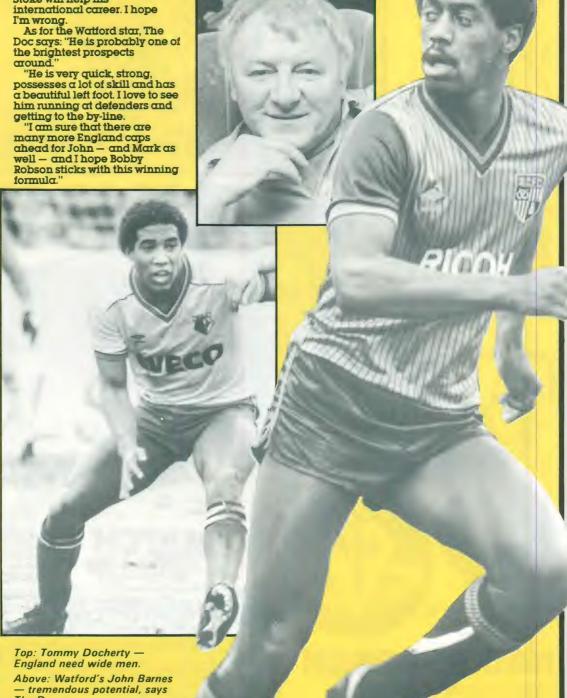
"There are few players cround at the moment who possess that magical quality.

"Without doubt, his greatest asset is his electrifying pace. Over 20 yards there is no-one in the First Division to touch him. He's like greased lightning.

'But he doesn't rely solely on speed. He complements that with excellent close control and skill

'Mark has made remarkable progress since his move to the Potters' a couple of seasons ago and it's difficult to believe he was a Fourth Division player a short time back

"But I don't think playing for an unfashionable club like Stoke will help his international career. I hope



The Doc.

Right: Mark Chamberlain possesses a magical quality.

### ROBERT PRYTZ SPOTLIGHT on Glasgow Rangers' Swedish midfielder FULL NAME: Robert Prytz. BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Malmo, Sweden/Jan. 12, 1960 HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5ft 6 // in/11st 9lbs. MARRIED: No. CAR: No. PREVIOUS CLUB: Malmo TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: Shop assistant. NICKNAME AT CLUB: I haven't one. WORST EVER INJURY: Fractured shinbone in 1977. FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER: Manchester United's Bryan Robson. FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Tottenham. FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY: France skipper Michel Platini because he has everything a footballer needs. BEST CURRENT BRITISH TEAM: Shilton Neal, Hansen, O'Leary, Sansom, Hoddle, Robson, Wilkins, Rush, Dalglish, Stapleton. CURRENT INTERNATIONAL XI: Shilton (England), Leandro (Brazil), Scirea (Italy), Passarella (Argentina), Junior, Socrates, Zico (all Brazil), Robson (England), Conti (Italy), Dalglish (Scotland), Rummenigge (West Germany). FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: St Johnstone. FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM AT WHICH YOU HAVE PLAYED: Monaco. BEST GOAL SCORED: In Rangers' 2-1 win at Aberdeen in September 1982. BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: Bobby Russell's goal for Rangers in the win over Dundee last season. MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENTS: Aberdeen. MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: Malmo's European Cup Final against Nottingham Forest in 1979 OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: Signing for Rangers. BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Losing in the European Cup Final FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Tennis, ice hockey, snooker. MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: A worm summer. MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Smoking and jealousy FAVOURITE TV SHOW: American football TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF: None. FAVOURITE READING: Fredrick Forsyth. FAVOURITE POP STAR: Daryl Hall and John Octes FAVOURITE FOOD: Steak. FAVOURITE DRINK: Red wine. BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Canada. FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Clint

Eastwood and Jane Fonda. BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR: Scariace. BEST FRIEND: My team-mate Ally Dawson. BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Former

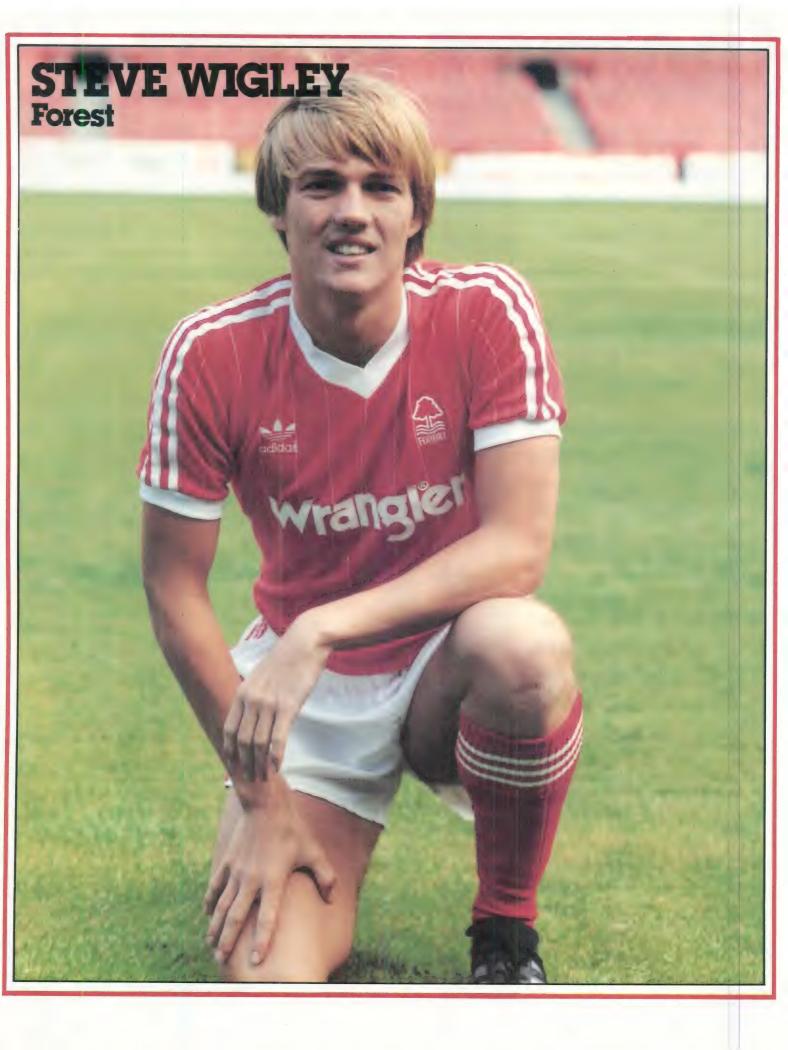
Malmo manager Bobby Houghton.
WHAT YOU DON'T LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Hooligans. SUPERSTITIONS: None.

PRE-MATCH MEAL: Chicken. INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: Full and Under-21 honours for Sweden. PERSONAL AMBITION: To be successful

and healthy.
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To play for my
country in the World Cup Finals.
CAREER AFTER PLAYING: Boutique owner.
PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Rangers' Derek Ferguson.

WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET: Bobby Ball of Cannon and Ball. ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: Practice and practice





### THE FACTOR



WE'RE always grumbling about repeats on television, but that seemingly incurable disease is not just confined to the little square box in the corner of the living room.

It's even spread to our football arenas. Just ask the fans of Rotherham and Hartlepool.

They were left wondering whether they had seen it all before when the teams had to repeat their Milk Cup First Round clash at the very same stage of the FA Cup just a few weeks later.

It was hardly surprising that they were left scratching their heads in total bewilderment because the FA Cup battles produced exactly the same scores as the Milk Cup sorties. As in the Milk Cup, Hartlepool

As in the Milk Cup, Hartlepool did all the hard work by securing a goalless draw at Millmoor, only to see their Third Division opponents snatch glory with a solitary goal on their own patch.

But at least the crowd had an extra thirty minutes for their money in the FA Cup because Kevin Kilmore's winner didn't arrive until the 98th minute.

But football is always throwing up peculiarities to confound everyone.

Just take little Walsall for instance. The unfashionable club strolled down to the South coast for a tie with struggling Bournemouth, bubbling over with confidence after toppling Second Division Shrewsbury to earn a tilt at mighty Arsenal in

## Action replay!

### ROTHERHAM REPEAT KNOCK-OUT DOSE

the Milk Cup.

And what happens? Within nine minutes they had wished they had stayed in the Black Country as first Ian Thompson and then John Beck blasted goals to set Bournemouth on the way to a resounding 4-0 victory.

Ten days later, Walsall duly produced a sensational 2-1 win at Highbury to once again prove the unpredictability of football.

But there's certainly nothing unpredictable about Sheffield United's goalscoring machine Keith Edwards. You are fairly safe to assume that somewhere along the way, he'll bag a hattrick or two during the season.

It was Wrexham on the end of his rapier-like thrusts this time as Edwards gobbled up four



Alan Walsh . . . a hat-trick in Darlington's 5-0 slamming of Mossley.

goals like the gluttonous Billy Bunter, to leave the Welshmen red-faced with a 5-1 home defeat.

### RESULTS

Aldershot 1, Worcester 1 Aldershot 1, Worcester 1
(Rep. Worcester 2, Aldershot 1)
A P. Learnington 0, Gillingham 1
Barking 2, Farnborough 1
Barnet 0, Bristol Rovers 0
(Rep. Bristol Rovers 3, Barnet 1)
Boston United 0, Bury 3
Bournemouth 4, Walsall 0 Boston United 0, Bury 3
Bournemouth 4, Walsall 0
Bradford 0, Wigan 0
(Rep. Wigan 4, Bradford 2)
Burton 1, Wadaor 2
Chelmsford 0, Wycombe 0
(Rep. Wycombe 1, Chelmsford 2)
Chester 1, Chester field 2
Corinthian Casuals 0, Bristol City 0
(Rep. Bristol C 4, Corinthian C 0)
Dagenham 2, Brentford 2
(Rep. Brentford 2, Dagenham 1)
Dalargton 5, Mossley 0
Exeter 1, Maidstone 1
(Rep. Maidstone 2, Exeter 1)
Frickley 0, Altrincham 1
Gainsborough 0, Blackpool 2
Halifax 2, Whithy 3
Hyde 0, Burnley 2
Kettering 0, Swindon 7
Macclesfield 0, York 0
(Rep. York 2, Macclesfield 0)
Mansfield 3, Doncaster 0
Millwall 2, Dartford 1
Northampton 1, Waterlooville 1
(Rep. Water ville 1, Northwich 0)
Oxford 2, Peterborough 0
Penrith 0, Hull 2
Poole 0, Newport 0
(Rep. Newport 3, Poole 1) Oxford 2, Peterborough 0
Penrith 0, Hull 2
Poole 0, Newport 0
(Rep. Newport 3, Poole 1)
Port Vale 1, Lincoln 2
Reading 2, Hereford 0
Rochdale 1, Crewe 0
Rotherham 0, Hartiepool 0
(Rep. Hartlepool 0, Rotherham 1\*)
Scunthorpe 1, Priston 0
Southend 0, Plymouth 0
(Rep. Plymouth 2, Southend 0\*)
Telford 3, Stockport 0
Torquay 1, Colchester 2
Tranmere 2, Bollon 2
(Rep. Bolton 4, Tranmere 1\*)
Wealdstone 1, Enfield 1
(Rep. Enfield 2, Wealdstone 2\*)
[2nd Rep. Wealdstone 2, Enfield 0)
Wimbledon 2, Ouent 1
Wrexham 1, Sheffield United 5
Yeovil 0, Harrow 1
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The other hat-trick man was Darlington's Alan Walsh in the 5-0 crushing of Mossley. No joy there for one non-League hopeful but, elsewhere in the country, the salesmen, lorry drivers, welders, factory workers and storekeepers were all having a ball.

None more so than the merry part-timers from the fishing town of Whitby, who brought more than a whiff of the sea to Halifax.

They finished with the smell of sweet success after landing a 3-2 victory despite being two goals down after an hour, leaving disappointed Shay fans wanting wet fish to smack across the faces of their Fourth Division players.

Telford, Maidstone and Worcester also embarrassed League opposition in the shape of Stockport, Exeter and Aldershot respectively, and five other teams, including the famous old Corinthian Casuals, earned another bite at the cherry.

In fact, Waterlooville had an extra bite at Northampton only to go down 2-0 in a Second Replay.



Bangor 1, Blackpool 1 (Rep: Blackpool 2, Bangor 1) Bolton 2, Mansfield 0 Brentford 3, Wimbledon 2 Bristol Rovers 1, Bristol City 2 Chesterfield 2, Burnley 2 (Rep: Burnley 3, Chesterfield 2) Colchester 4, Wealdstone 0 Darlington 0, Altrincham 0 (Rep: Altrincham 0, Darlington 2) Gillingham 6, Chelmsford 1 Harrow 1, Newport 3

Lincoln 0, Sheffield United 0 (Rep: Sheff Utd 1, Lincoln 0) Maidstone 3, Worcester 2 Millwall 2, Swindon 3 Northampton 1, Telford 1 (Rep: Telford 3, Northampton 2) ep: Telford 3, Nortnampton Plymouth 2, Barking 1 Reading 1, Oxford 1 (Rep: Oxford 3, Reading 0) Rotherham 2, Hull 1 Scunthorpe 2, Bury 0 Wigan 1, Whitby 0 Windsor 0, Bournemouth 0 (Rep: Bournemouth 2, Windsor 0) York 0, Rochdale 2



Burnley's Irish star Billy Hamilton — scored twice in the 3-2 replay defeat of Chesterfield.

### Glory snatcher:

THEY say it's better late than never, but that's cold comfort when you are on the receiving end of a goal at the death which buries your FA Cup hopes for another year.

Several hopefuls in the Second Round suffered that agonising fate when their thoughts had perhaps turned to a second match or at least a period of extra-time.

No fewer than five ties were settled by goals snatched in the last seven minutes and, at that late stage, there's little chance of repairing the damage

Sheffield United produced the late, late show with skipper Paul Stancliffe throwing off his defensive chains to flatten Lincoln with a goal in the dying seconds of their Bramall Lane

At opposite ends of the country, winning goals went whistling home with just two minutes to spare.

It was especially galling for Third Division Bristol Rovers. They were sunk by arch-rivals Bristol City at Eastville with Martyn Hirst the chief destroyer with the late thrust.

Not only that, but Rovers were

### STANCLIFFE STRIKES IN DYING SECONDS

leading with 14 minutes left until Tom Ritchie began Fourth Division City's revival with an equaliser.

Up at Rotherham, their First Round hero Kevin Kilmore was up to his tricks again, scoring both goals in the surprise 2-1 win over Hull with the winner turning up in the 88th minute.

Plymouth were within four minutes of facing an uncomfortable replay away to non-League Barking when centre-half Lindsay Smith moved up to erase any possible embarrassment, and Burnley's Irish striker Billy Hamilton struck his replay winner against Chesterfield in the 83rd minute to record his second goal in the 3-2 victory.

Whitby's fairy-tale story ended at Wigan but it took a 79th minute Steve Taylor penalty to deny them at least a second opportunity on home soil, but fellow non-Leaguers Telford added their second League scalp in the shape of Northampton.

After drawing at the County Ground, Telford made home advantage count with a 3-2 triumph, the winner coming from a Dave Mather penalty at a stage when frustrated home fans thought their heroes had thrown it all away by

surrendering a two-goal lead. But while Northampton were suffering a bout of acute embarrassment, one of their former strikers, Keith Bowen, son of their secretary Dave. helped himself to a first-half hat-trick as Colchester crushed Wealdstone 4-0.

Plucky Chelmsford fored even worse at Gillingham, where they were hit for six, and there was also no glory for some of the other little 'uns like Altrincham, Bangor and Windsor, who all took League opposition to replays before

But in contrast to the glut of late, late goals, what about Steve Johnson's quickfire opener for Rochdale in their 2-0 upset away to Fourth Division

sadly bowing out.



Paul Stancliffe — grabbed a last-ditch winner for Sheffield United in their replay with Lincoln.

pacesetters York. He struck after only 14 seconds at Bootham Crescent and then added a second in the 49th minute to finish off Denis Smith's boys.

### Seaside shockers

### IT'S SO MISERABLE FOR MANCHESTER

THE city of Manchester has an unwanted worldwide image of epitomising the English climate of grey, rainy days.

But there was certainly nowhere gloomier in the country than the northern football stronghold on FA Cup Third Round day as they mourned the passing of both United and City's interest in the competition at the very first

It was especially embarrassing in that they were laid to rest at the seaside homes of Blackpool and Bournemouth where, in the past few years, the venues have been more noted for funfair frolics than football fireworks.

For United, it was a

### RESULTS

Aston Villa 1, Norwich 1 (Rep: Norwich 3, Aston Villa 0) Blackburn 1, Chelsea 0 Blackpool 2, Man. City 1 Bolton 0, Sunderland 3 Bournemouth 2, Man. United 0 Brighton 2, Swansea 0 Burnley 0, Oxford 0 (Rep: Oxford 2, Burnley 1) Cambridge 0, Derby 3 Colchester 0, Charlton 1 Cardiff 0, Ipswich 3 Carlisle 1, Swindon 1 (Rep: Swindon 3, Carlisle 1) Coventry 1, Wolves 1 (Rep: Wolves 1, Coventry 1\* (2nd Rep: Coventry 3, Wolves 0) C. Palace 1, Leicester 0 Darlington 4, Maidstone 1 Fulham 0, Tottenham 0 (Rep: Tottenham 2, Fulham 0) Gillingham 5, Brentford 3 Huddersfield 2, QPR 1 Leeds 1, Scunthorpe 1 (Rep: Scunthorpe 1, Leeds 1 (2nd Rep: Scunthorpe 4, Leeds 2) Liverpool 4, Newcastle 0 Luton 2, Watford 2 (Rep: Watford 4, Luton 3\*)
Middlesbrough 3, Arsenal 2
Nott'm Forest 1, Southampton 2
Notts County 2, Bristol City 2
(Rep: Bristol City 0, Notts County 2)
Plymouth 2, Newport 2
(Rep: Nowport 0, Newport 2) Plymouth 2, Newport 2
(Rep: Newport 0, Plymouth 1)
Portsmouth 2, Grimsby 1
Rochdale 1, Telford 4
Rotherham 0, West Brom 0
(Rep: West Brom 3, Rotherham 0)
Sheff. United 1, Birmingham 1
(Rep: Birmingham 2, Sheff. U 0)
Sheff. Wed 1, Barnsley 0
Shrewsbury 3, Oldham 0
Stoke 0, Everton 2
West Ham 1, Wigan 0
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particularly painful experience as their last match in the FA Cup saw their players joyfully running round Wembley with the coveted trophy after crushing Brighton 4-0.

But for Third Division strugglers Bournemouth reputations meant nothing, although new boss Harry Redknapp appeared to be the only man in the country who expected such a Cup shocker.

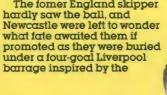
Two goals inside two minutes midway through the second half by Milton Graham and Ian Thompson did the damage to provide Bournemouth with one of the biggest Cup upsets for many a year

Relegated City's 2-1 defeat at Blackpool wasn't quite in the same disastrous category, but it was still something of a major blow to their pride to be dumped out of the competition by a Fourth Division club that had fallen on hard times.

To make it even more galling for City fans, the Blackpool winner came from a Neil McNab own goal three minutes before half-time.

The emotional return of Kevin Keegan to Antield with the

Geordie revival overshadowed all other events, but somehow the Liverpool roadshow forgot





irrepressible two-goal Ian Rush. But former England striker Allan Clarke enjoyed a far sweeter journey in time in his capacity as manager of Third

Division strugglers Scunthorpe.
It took him three games to fulfil his ambition but, in the end, he watched his side put out Leeds, who had given him the grand order of the boot the previous year.

England goalkeeper Peter Shilton was another player who returned to haunt his former

With Steve Moran scoring twice in the last 13 minutes, Southampton were able to overcome one of the biggest obstacles they could have faced at this stage - a victory at Nottingham Forest.

Plymouth's Tommy Tynan also stunned his former Newport team-mates with an injury-time penalty equaliser and, from that escape act, the Third Division side duly won the replay with a late Andy

Apart from the shock departure of Manchester United, three other First Division sides, QPR, Arsenal and Leicester, fell victims to Division Two hosts, Hudderstield, Middlesbrough and Crystal Palace

respectively.
But Ipswich didn't suffer the same fate at Cardiff where an Eric Gates hat-trick saw them safely negotiate a tricky hurdle.

There was an exciting finish at Priestfield, where Gillingham scored four goals in the last 13 minutes to overcome Brentford 5-3, and at Vicarage Road, where Watford toppled Luton 4-3 with the winner coming from Maurice Johnston in extra-time

And little Telford deserved a laurel wreath for their remarkable 4-1 win at Fourth Division Rochdale - their third successive victory over League opposition in the competition





### Seagulls swoop to conquer

IF you mention Brighton down Liverpool way, you run the risk of being thrown in the Mersey wearing a pair of concrete wellies!

The fashionable resort may be high on the list of holidaymakers but, in football terms, the 'Seagulls represent an undeniable pest to Liverpool's FA Cup ambitions.

The Antield machine continuously gobbles up Championships, Milk and European Cups like nobody's business but, when it comes to the FA Cup, well that's as elusive as the Scarlet

And, for the past two years, the Cup line for them has ended at Brighton.

The previous season, the balding Jimmy Melia guided Brighton to a famous 2-1 victory at Anfield en route to Wembley. Last season it was the turn of his successor, Chris Cattlin, to wave the magic wand.

Gerry Ryan and Terry Connor raced through Liverpocl's spreadeagled ranks twice in the space of two minutes early in the second half to leave the television audience gaping in disbelief as the favourites crumpled.

Talking of one-twos, the Little and Large combination of Scots George Reilly and Maurice

### GHTON ROCK

THEY



Gerry Ryan blasts Brighton's opening goal against Liverpool and (right) celebrates with other Seagulls' scorer Terry Connor.

Johnston got their act together for Watford in the London 'derby' at Charlton with a goal in each half.

And just across the capital, big Dave Swindlehurst was denying his former Crystal Palace team-mates another First Division scalp by grabbing a late equaliser for West Ham which enabled them to finish the job at Upton Park.
Late goals were the order of

the day at Portsmouth and Sunderland

Steve Moran, two-goal hero in the previous round, popped up in the dying seconds to silence the Pompey Chimes at Portsmouth and give Southampton another notable away success in the Hampshire showdown.

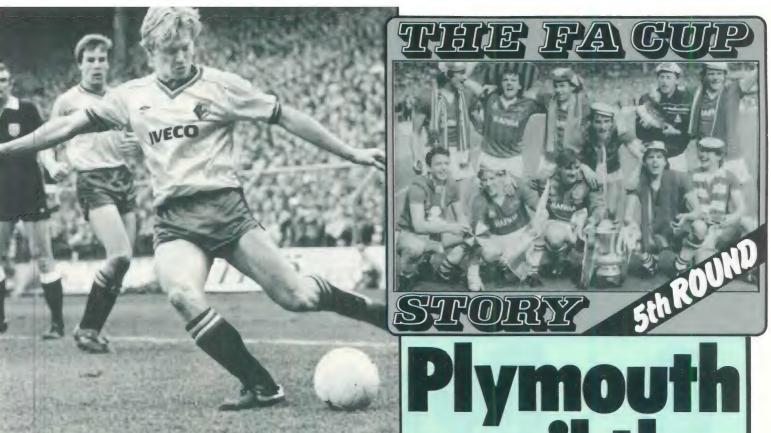
And up in the North-East Mick Harford returned to his native Sunderland to bury them with an 86th minute winner to climax a two-goal Birmingham blast in the last five minutes.

Former Manchester City fullback Bobby McDonald was spot-on for Oxford with two penalties in the 2-1 detect of Blackpool, and Sheffield Wednesday were indebted to a Mel Sterland penalty ten minutes from the end for their 3-2 win over Coventry.
Another First Division side to

fall to Division Two opposition was Ipswich, who slipped up at Shrewsbury for the second time in three seasons, Gary Hackett and Colin Robinson doing the damage, this time in the last 19

Bobby Davison conjured up the only hat-trick of the round to end the hopes of plucky Telford, and there were twogoal shows from Middlesbrough's Paul Sugrue against Bournemouth, and Kevin Sheedy as Everton took three attempts to overcome Third Division Gillingham.

Brighton 2, Liverpool 0
Charlton 0, Watford 2
Crystal Palace 1, West Ham 1
(Rep: West Ham 2, C Palace 0)
Derby 3, Telford 2
Everton 0, Gillingham 0
(Rep: Gillingham 0, Everton 0)
(2nd Rep: Gillingham 0, Everton 3)
Huddersfield 1, Notts County 2
Middlesbrough 2, Bournemouth 0
Oxford 2, Blackpool 1
Plymouth 2, Darlington 1
Portsmouth 0, Southampton 1
Sheff. Wed. 3, Coventry 2
Shrewsbury 2, Ipswich 0
Sunderland 1, Birmingham 2
Swindon 1, Blackburn 2
Tottenham 0, Norwich 0
(Rep: Norwich 2, Tottenham 1)
West Brom 1, Scunthorpe 0



Watford's Scottish find Maurice Johnston poses more problems for the Birmingham defence during their 3-1 victory at St Andrews.

THE scene was set at The Hawthorns for the emotional return of Johnny Giles, a kind of 'prodigal son' lured back from Canada to haul West Brom out of the doldrums.

Third Division Plymouth were to be the sacrificial lambs, a celebratory meal to usher in the start of a bright, new era with the immediate prospect beckoning of a place at Wembley.

The former Eire international acknowledged the cheers of the crowd, along with chief aides Nobby Stiles and Norman Hunter, before settling down to see whether his inherited side

could prolong the party spirit. By the end of the game, Giles had probably slid under his seat in total embarrassment as Plymouth gatecrashed the celebrations and walked away with the prize ... a place in the last eight.

Poor old Albion performed like champagne left over from

Plymouth joyfully and deservedly made nonsense of the gulf between the teams in terms of League status.

The all-important goal came after 58 minutes when Tommy Tynan rifled the ball home to produce yet another upset in an FA Cup campaign jam-packed with surprises.

Two other First Division teams with more than optimism to back their Wembley dreams — Norwich and West Ham — also bit the dust

With Derby battling for survival in the Second Division relegation zone, few offered them a real prayer against a Norwich side bubbling over with confidence

But with that old warhorse

away in midfield, Derby wiped the dust from their indifferent League form to raise the rafters at the Baseball Ground once again.

Goals from Gemmill (penalty) and Bobby Davison did the trick for Derby, although they had to survive one or two heart-stopping moments after John Deehan had pulled a goal back near the end

West Ham were hit by a whirlwind two-goal burst at Birmingham inside the first nine minutes from Robert Hopkins and Tony Rees and were never in the hunt after that

Like Birmingham, Notts County put their relegation blues behind them to end the hopes of Malcolm Allison's

Middlesbrough, although it took a breathtaking solo goal from Nigerian winger John Chiedozie to see them home.

Oxford may have proved to be the graveyard for Manchester United, but Sheffield Wednesday made sure they didn't go the same way. Imre Varadi and Gary Bannister (2) left Oxford to totally concentrate on their Third Division promotion battle.

George Reilly and Maurice Johnston were at it again for Watford against Brighton. They scored in the first half and, although Danny Wilson raised the visitors' hopes, Kenny Jackett duly killed them off within a couple of minutes.

And Everton continued on their merry way with an emphatic 3-0 home defeat of Shrewsbury and the late own goal from Colin Griffin adequately summed up what kind of a day it was for them.

### RESULTS

Birmingham 3, West Ham 0 Blackburn 0, Southampton 1 Derby 2, Norwich 1
Everton 3, Shrewsbury 0
Notts County 1, Middlesbrough 0
Oxford 0, Sheff. Wed. 3
Watford 3, Brighton 1 West Brom 0, Plymouth 1





THE remarkable success story of Plymouth created such a storm of interest in the West Country that many reckoned Sir Francis Drake would have made the Spanish Armada wait even longer to watch the Third Division team's bid for Sixth Round glory.

With most of the country's elite watching events from afar, the draw couldn't have been kinder for Devon's delight — a home tie with Derby, who were set to return to Home Park the next season as League rivals.

While manager John Hore, who just a few months earlier had been managing the affairs of Western Leaguers Bideford, tried to keep matters on an even keel, there was a feeling that Plymouth might be the first Third Division side at Wembley's showpiece occasion

But frustration was the key word among the 30,000 plus crowd as Derby grittily denied Plymouth their big day, and the handful of Home Park faithfuls who journeyed to the Midlands for the replay no doubt felt their chance had gone.

It was only when diminutive winger Andy Rogers watched his inswinging 19th minute corner totally bemuse goalkeeper Steve Cherry that hopes were revived.

Midlands' hopes of their first Final victory for 15 years were also dashed with the home exits of Birmingham and Notts County

County.

A blistering early goal from
John Barnes set Watford on
their way, although a Steve
Terry own goal late on raised
Birmingham's flagging
fortunes.

But their joy was shortlived as first Les Taylor, with his first goal of the season, and Barnes again put Watford through.

Andy Gray literally scraped his chin along the floor to head Everton's 47th minute winner at Notts County as he dived full-length to divert a free-kick past Mick Leonard.

Everton were given a flying start by Kevin Richardson after only six minutes, but John Chiedozie hammered home a close-range equaliser 12 minutes later.

Few would argue with Southampton's Wembley claims in the light of their tough route.

After winning at Nottingham Forest, Blackburn and Portsmouth, they now faced an imposing clash at Sheffield Wednesday, who were bidding to reach the Semi-Finals for the second successive year.

But Lawrie McMenemy's side showed true grit to earn a goalless draw, and then clinically took Wednesday apart at The Dell with a fivegoal show.

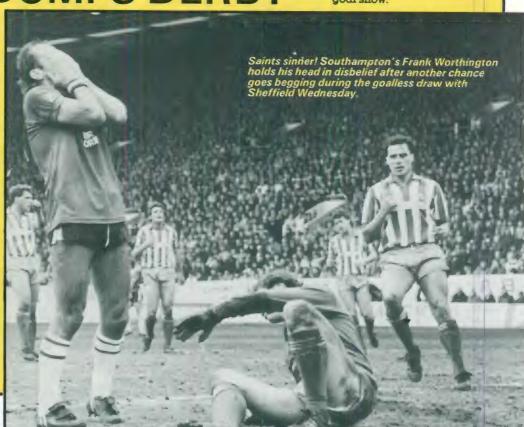
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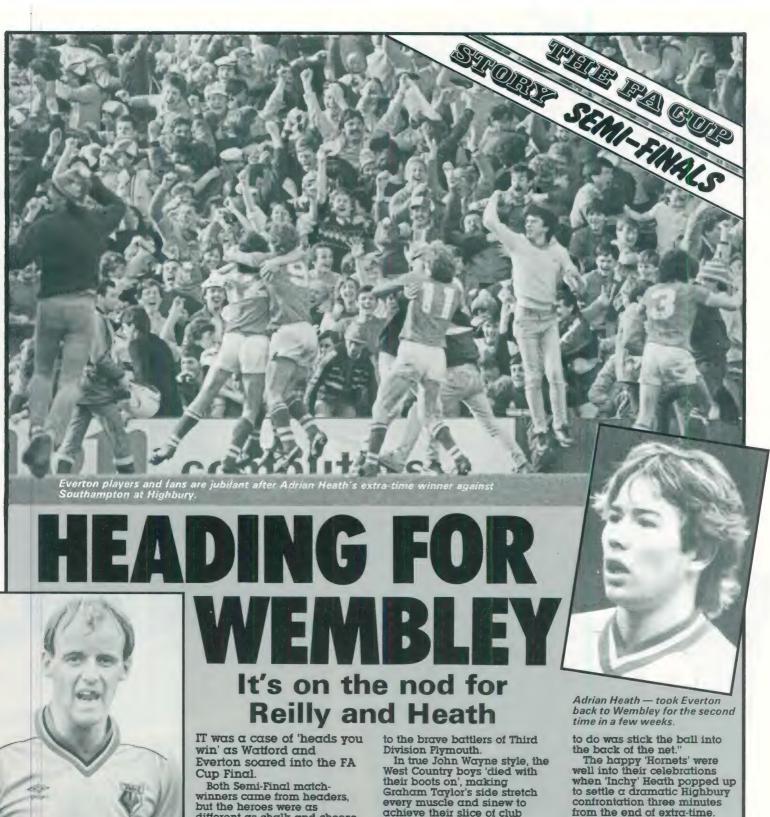
ANDY'S CURLER DUMPS DERBY

Andy Rogers
— scored
direct from a
corner at
Derby.

### **RESULTS**

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different as chalk and cheese.

While towering Scot George Reilly sent Elton John's Watford 'rocket ship' zooming to Wembley for the first time, it was tiny Adrian Heath who provided Everton with a return ticket to the twin towers for the second time in two months

As Watford wrote yet another glorious chapter in their remarkable rise from obscurity, the hearts of the neutrals at Villa Park went out

Left: George Reilly—headed Watford into the FA Cup Final for first time.

achieve their slice of club

Watiord certainly walked a tightrope of tension after big George Reilly had given them the perfect platform with a 12th minute goal, a powerful, near-post header from a John Barnes cross.

He was naturally ecstatic: "It's a dream come true for me and it's hard to believe that this time last year I was in the lower reaches of the Second Division with Cambridge.

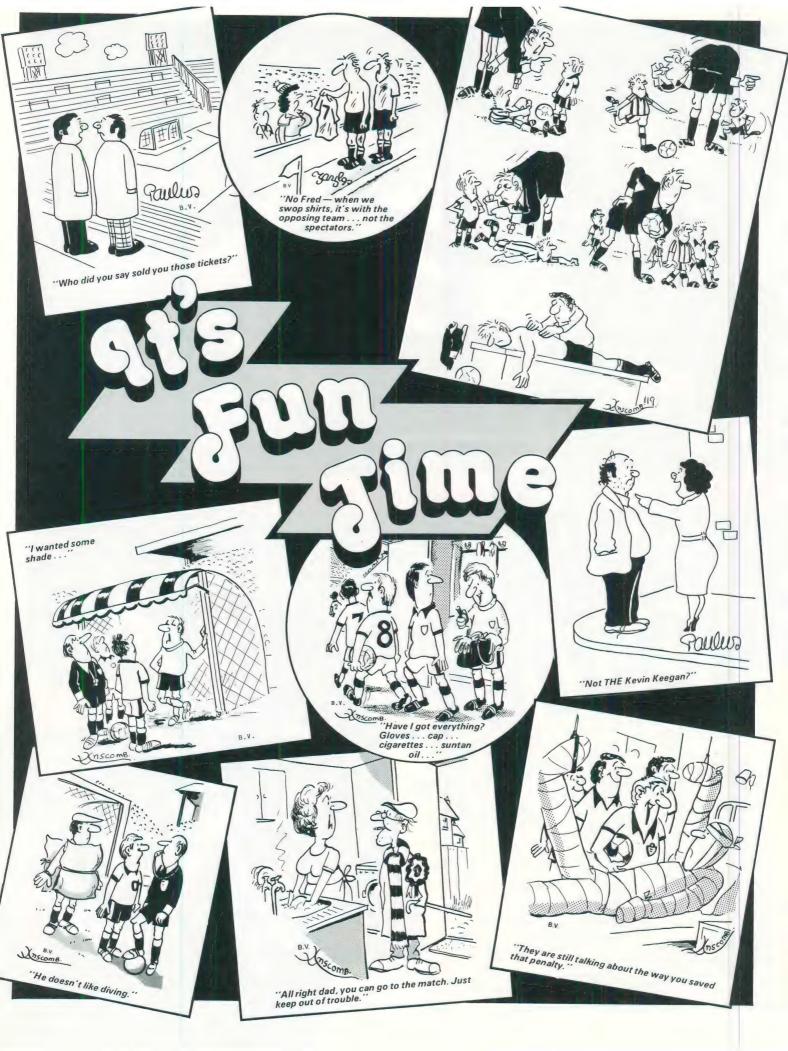
'To score the winning goal in a Semi-Final was a great feeling, but John Barnes did all the hard work and all I had

While Southampton defenders watched the big men, little Adrian latched on to Peter Reid's free-kick to head Everton back to Wembley and a chance to make amends for their Milk Cup Final defeat.

Everton's midfield maestro Peter Reid summed up the feelings in the camp: "We have been to Wembley once this season and done ourselves proud against Liverpool. Now we are playing with such confidence, the matches can't come quickly enough for us.







**ONE-TIME Goodison Park hero Andy** King suffered in the stands as Everton finally emerged from the stranglehold of their illustrious neighbours Liverpool to reach the Milk Cup Final and win the FA Cup.

There was no place for the extrovert midfielder as the 'Toffees' enjoyed their finest hour with that thrilling Wembley victory over Watford. And the season ended with

the indignity of a free transfer. Andy is a self-confessed Everton fanatic, but the Southport-born star admits: "It was heartbreaking not to

be involved in the club's success. "It might not have been so bad for anyone else, but I love Everton. To me, they are still the best club in the world and I desperately wanted to help them win something.

"It was the worst season of my

Andy rejoined Everton for the second time in July 1982 after unhappy stays at QPR and West Brom, but it wasn't to be a triumphant return.

He admits sadly: "Goodison Park had changed. It wasn't the same place where I had enjoyed so many

happy times a few years back."
Andy made just 19 First Division appearances last season - most of them in the early part of the campaign when the team were struggling at the wrong end of the table and the fans were calling for manager Howard Kendall's head.

Remembers Andy: "Confidence was low and we just couldn't string

any kind of run together.

I played up until Christmas and felt very upset when I was dropped after scoring against Birmingham.

That signalled the end of Andy's career at Goodison, but the start of great things for the club. He says: Adrian Heath took my place and after that, results picked up. The team played brilliantly for the rest of the season and reached two Cup Finals."

The highspot of course was the victory over Graham Taylor's men from Vicarage Road, but Andy couldn't bear to travel down to Wembley for the Final. Instead he sat at home and suffered every kick in front of the television.

"I just couldn't face going to Wembley with the official party, although now I bitterly regret not putting on my blue and white scarf and standing with the Everton fans.

"So many people have since asked me why I didn't make the trip and I now wish I had.

"But I left Goodison Park under a cloud and, at the time, didn't feel I could go to Wembley. I apologise to the fans for not being there.

Andy has now joined England's growing army of exiles by signing for unfashionable Dutch club Cambuur and he bitterly resents having to take his talents abroad.

He says incredulously: "Not one English team showed any interest in and I think that's a disgrace.

"There has to be something wrong with the game when a 27-year-old like myself with bags of First Division experience can't get fixed up on a free transfer.

'It's totally unbelievable," says Andy, who started his League career with Luton before joining Everton for the first time for £35,000 in March

But he says defiantly: "I wasn't going to beg an English club for a job. I would rather quit the game altogether than knock on doors.'

### **'MY GOODISON** HEARTBREAK'

Exiled King recalls the worst season of his career

shunned by Football League clubs and he says: "I don't know why no-one came for me. It can't have been my ability they doubted

'Clubs may have been deterred by my so-called reputation, but I've never considered myself to be a

'I'm not the most sensible lad around, but neither am I the maddest. I have always been a hardworking professional and I love the game.

Andy is realistic enough to admit that he's taken a big step down the football ladder by joining Cambuur — a town more renowned for the quality of it's friesian cattle than it's football.

But he says: "I'm starting afresh all

over again.

"I'll be a big fish in a small pool and if I can't make an impression I honestly don't know where I'll go from here.'

At first it looked as though Andy may be on his way to Dutch giants PSV Eindhoven and he says: "The club approached me and I was really excited by the prospect.

But when I went out there it was explained to me that they already had their full quota of foreign players and they wanted me to sign without any guarantee of getting into the side.

"I couldn't do that. After all I'd suffered at Everton I felt I wanted to go somewhere I was needed.

His rejection prompted ambitious Cambuur to steal in with a bid, but they had to fight off the challenge of former Brighton manager Jimmy Melia and his Portuguese club Belenenses

Andy talked to the newlypromoted First Division club while he was on holiday in Portugal, but he says: "I opted for Cambuur because I was so much more impressed with their set-up.

The club are clearly geared for success and they really made me feel

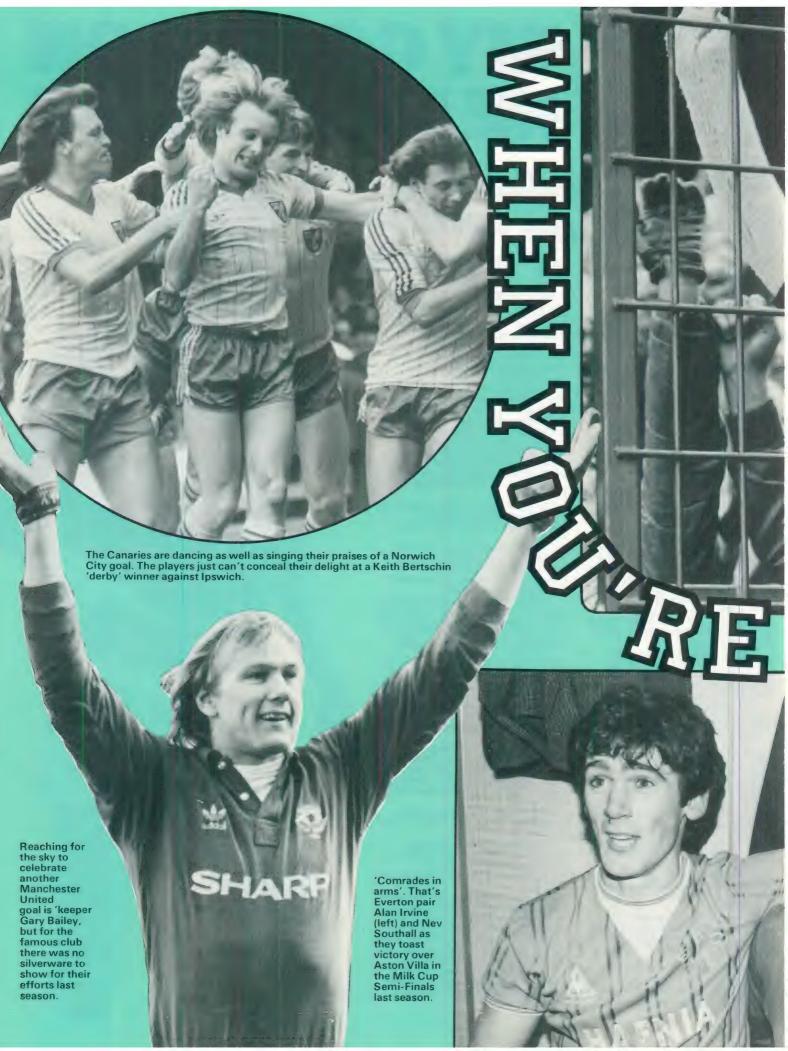
wanted.
'I had thought about playing abroad. It doesn't matter where you go as long as your ability is appreciated and the rewards are good

Andy has joined former Bolton star Len Cantello and he admits that the midfielder's advice had a big bearing on his decision to sign for Cambuur.

He says: "Len told me it was a great life out here. The football is good and it's only a short trip from England

'I'd have loved to have stayed in England. Despite losing it's sparkle, the Canon League is still the best in the world.'







# by Kenny Hibbitt, Coventry

61 WAS in for a rude awakening when I began my career as a footballer.

As a youngster I used to go and watch Bradford Park Avenue play and dreamed of running out for them one day.

I can recall turning up at the ground early on a Saturday afternoon and watching the players arrive on a big coach.

They all trooped off wearing new suits, collars and ties - all the things I never had.

And I used to think how great it must be to turn up for a game like that and play in front of thousands of people . . . and get paid for it.

But after signing on as an apprentice for Park Avenue on leaving school, I soon experienced the less glamorous side of the game.

It didn't take me long to realise a footballer's life wasn't all big coaches and new suits.

At the time, I was the only apprentice at the club and had to do a thousand and one jobs week in, week out.

Cleaning boots, marking the pitch, sweeping the terraces and various other jobs made me feel more like a groundsman than a player.



I hardly ever got time to train and on more than one occasion I thought about packing it all in and getting a job.

But probably the thing that kept me going was my late father's wish for me to do well in soccer.

He died when I was 16 but he always said that he wanted me and my brother Terry - who later played for Leeds and Newcastle — to play in the First Division.

With his words in mind I decided to stick it out at Park Avenue . . . and I'm glad I did. It wasn't long before Wolves came in for me and so began a wonderful career.

### HOWITT



by Joey Jones, Chelsea

**6WREXHAM** was my first League club and the day I signed on as an apprentice is still fresh in my

I joined them from school at the age of 15 on the same day as my present Chelsea team-mate

Mickey Thomas.
I had known Mickey for quite a long time and we had played in a number of schoolboy teams together before joining Wrexham.

It was a great thrill for me because, like most youngsters at the time I had always wanted to be a professional footballer.

After spending a couple of years playing for the youth team and the reserves, I signed professional terms and soon made my League debut.

It was a day I will never forget

Not for the game however — it was against Rotherham and we drew 1-1 — but for an incident after the match at Millmoor.

It was a freezing cold afternoon with snow all around and I was absolutely chilled to the bone throughout the match.

By the time the final whistle blew, my sole intention was to get off the pitch as soon as possible and get into a nice, hot both

I didn't stop to think about the shock it might cause to my system and I leapt straight into the red hot water . . . and out again twice as quickly.

It was quite embarrassing because all the older players were standing around laughing at my mistake.

### by Allan Evans, Villa Aston Villa

6 I COULDN'T have picked a better time or place to score a hat-trick.

It was a schoolboy cup final played at East End Park — the home of local club

Dunfermline.

My performance obviously impressed a few people

because straight after the game I was invited into the directors' office.

I signed schoolboy forms there and then and later joined the club as a professional on leaving scho

professional on leaving school at the age of 16. Soon after joining

Soon after joining Dunfermline on a full-time basis, I made my League debut against Rangers.

But it was a dream debut which became a disaster.
Towards the end of the first hold I was on the wrong end of a crushing tackle.

a crushing tackle.

I fell to the ground in agony, but the trainer came on, assured me it was nothing serious and told me to get up and run it off.

I tried to do that, but went down again a few minutes later. The trainer lost patience with me and told me off.

Eventually the manager pulled me off and I was whisked away to hospital for an X-ray, which revealed a broken leg!



HOW it all began. Four top stars turn the clocks back to the start of their football careers and relive their earliest memories.

Samuel Stoke Stoke Stoke

SIGNING for Manchester United on my 15th birthday was the perfect present.

It was a dream come true for me at the time . . . but it almost became a nightmare.

During my first year at Old Trafford I was constantly nomesick and had to keep returning to Belfast to see my parents.

To make things worse I couldn't settle in digs in Manchester and must have changed accommodation four or ive times in the first 12 months.

Things got so bad at one stage that I seriously considered backing it all in and going home for good.

My mother tried to persuade me that would be the best hing and I was quite prepared to blow the whistle on my Jnited career before it had even started.

The only thing that stopped me from doing just that was my father's advice.

He told me that I had been given the chance of a lifetime and shouldn't give up. "Stick at it," he urged me.

I did as he said and everything worked out marvellously. It wasn't too long before I was making my League debut or United. And what a game in which to kick-off your career – against local rivals City.

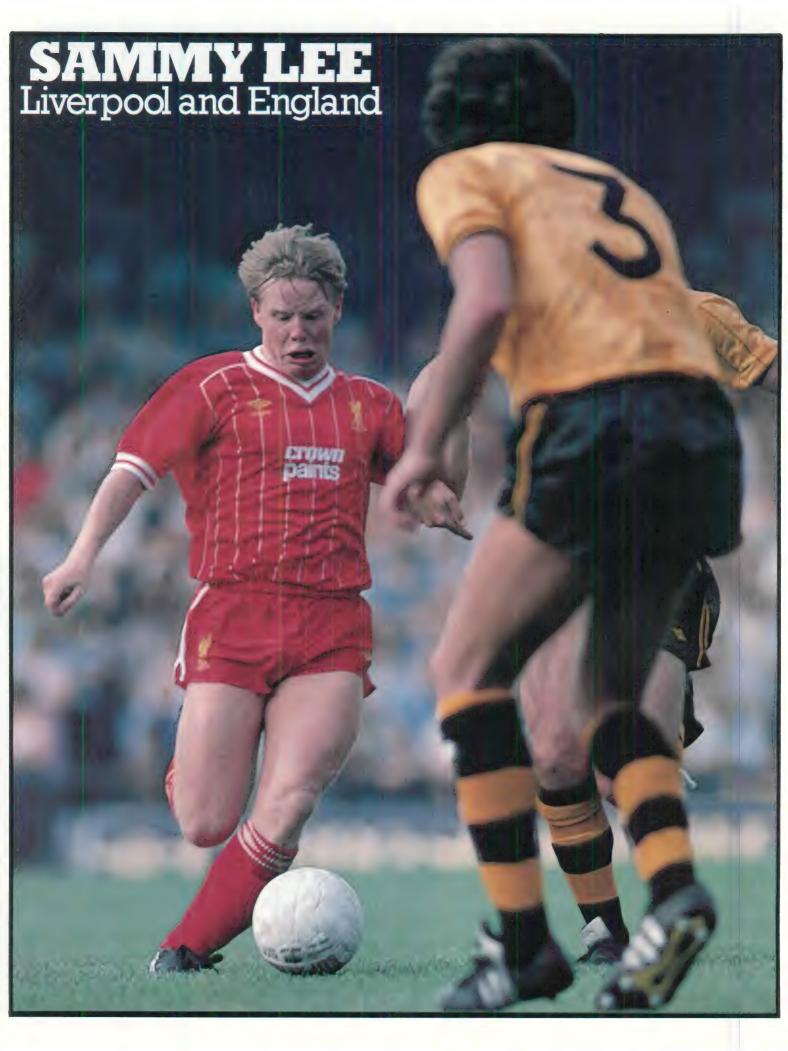
It was a tremendous thrill for me to play my first game in a derby and to score in a 3-3 draw really put the icing on the

The goal still stands out in my mind today .

Brian Kidd went on a run down the left and he played the pall inside to George Best, who was being pulled from pehind by a City defender.

George wasn't getting anywhere so I rushed in, took the pall off him and hammered it home. My League career was off to a dream start!









Much-travelled Bob Hatton was relegated with Blackpool in 1978 and yet still finished the division's leading

SWINDON'S John Trollope established a record of 770 League appearances for one club between 1960 and 1980.

TRANMERE'S Horold Bell chalked up a record sequence of 401 consecutive League appearances between August 11, 1946 and August 27, 1955.

DONCASTER ROVERS won 18 of their 21 away games in Division Three (North) in 1946-47 which is a British record.

BRISTOL City accumulated a League record 14 consecutive wins between their 5-1 defeat at Manchester United on September 2, 1905, and their 1-1 draw at Leeds three months

ROTHERHAM hold the League record for consecutive home wins at 23, which included three Cup games. They won their first twenty home League games in Division Three (N) in 1946-47 only to spoil their record in the final match by drawing with Rochdale.

**NOTTINGHAM Forest were** undefeated in forty first-class matches after their FA Cup defeat at West Brom on March 11, 1978, until Liverpool beat them 2-0 of Anfield on December 9, 1978.

CELTIC went a British record 62 games without defeat between their 2-0 defeat by Hearts on November 13, 1915 and their home reverse at the hands of Kilmornock on April 17, 1917.

LIVERPOOL established a British record 63 home League games without defect between their 3-2 defect by Birmingham on January 21, 1978 and their 2-1 beating by Leicester three vecus later.

**BLACKBURN Rovers went 24 FA** Cup ties without defeat between December 1883 and December 1886.

**ROCHDALE** lost 18 consecutive matches after beating New Brighton 3-2 on November 7 1931 through to March 9, 1932 when they drew 1-1 with the same team.

CREWE went 32 games without a win between beating Scunthorpe 2-1 on September 19, 1956 and detecting Bradford City 1-0 on April 13, 1957.

LEEDS United didn't win on FA Cup tie in 13 attempts between 1952 and 1963, but two years later they reached their first FA Cup Final

YORK City went 12 games without conceding a goal from October 1, 1973 when they drew 0-0 at home to Chesterfield in Division Three to December 8, when they beat Southport 4-0.

**COVENTRY City went 11 games** without scoring a goal between October 4, 1919 when they lost 2-1 at home to Leicester and Christmas Day the same year when they beat Stoke 3-2 at the Victoria Ground.

SWANSEA'S Wilfred Milne played exactly 500 League games after his debut in 1919 before scoring his first goal — a penalty against Lincoln on April 2, 1934 to give Swansea a 1-0 victory.

MEET some of soccer's record-breakers the men and teams who go down in the annals of football folklore for their unique achievements.

NORWICH City hold the record for most draws with 23 out of 42

First Division matches in 1977-78, ten at home and 13 away. They won only seven games. THE biggest European victory in one game was by Chelsea in the 1971-72 Cup Winners' Cup

when they defeated Luxembourg's Jeunesse Hautcharage 13-0 at Stamford Bridge.

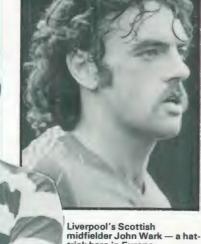
CHELSEA'S Peter Osgood scored a record eight goals in the European Cup Winners' Cup tie with Jeunesse Hautcharage in September/October 1971.

**BOURNEMOUTH'S Ted** MacDougall set a new FA Cup goalscoring record with nine in the 11-0 slamming of Margate on November 20, 1971.

BOB Hatton, who scored 22 of Blackpool's 59 goals in Division Two in 1977-78, is the only leading scorer from any division of the League whose team has been relegated in the same season.

MIDDLESBROUGH'S George Camsell has the best scoring record for England over a reasonable number of games with 18 goals in only nine full appearances.

WATFORD scored only 24 goals in Division Two in 1971-72, the worst record in a full 42-game programme.



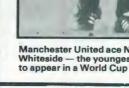
trick hero in Europe.

Left: Former Celtic star Jimmy McGrory — incredible scoring record.

Below: Loyal John Trollope established a record of League appearances for Swindon.



Manchester United ace Norman Whiteside — the youngest player ever to appear in a World Cup Finals.



FORMER Celtic star Jimmy McGrory is the only player to have averaged more than a goal a game in League football, his 410 goals from 408 games giving him a figure of 1.005 per game. His nearest major competitor is Brian Clough with 251 goals in 274 games, an average of 0.916.

JIMMY Cookson of Chesterfield and West Brom reached his century of League goals after only 87 games on December 17, 1927.

PETERBOROUGH United scored a League record 134 goals in 1960-61 on the way to winning the Fourth Division Championship at the first attempt.

THE British goalscoring record is held by Raith Rovers who scored 142 goals in 34 games in Scotland's Division Two in 1937-38

THE most home League defeats suffered in a season is 15, by Barrow in Division Three (North) in 1925-26 and by Blackpool in Division One in 1966-67.

TERRY Venables, now the manager of Barcelona, is the only player to have appeared for a home country at five different levels — schoolboy, youth, amateur, Under-23 and full.

Former England skipper Billy Wright — didn't miss an international for seven and a half years.

Below: West Ham striker Paul Allen the youngest player to appear in an FA Cup Final.

Wilfred Milne, the Swansea full-back who had to wait 500 League games before scoring his first goal for the

THE fastest selection for an international in modern times belongs to Billy Steel who was picked for Scotland in 1946 after playing only seven games

THE longest League game on record is 135 minutes between Sunderland and Derby at Roker Park on September 1, 1894. The referee didn't arrive on time and the game started with a linesman in charge. At half-time, with Sunderland leading 3-0, the ref arrived and insisted on starting the game all over again. Sunderland then scored another eight.

CURRENT Manchester City manager Billy McNeill picked up a total of 32 medals (23 winners) for Celtic between 1960 and 1975.

THE smallest number of points achieved by a League club in a season is eight, by Doncaster in 1904-05 and Loughborough in 1899-1900, both in Division Two.

THE fastest goal in an FA Cup Semi-Final came from Arsenal's Alan Sunderland. He scored after only 13 seconds of the Second Replay with Liverpool at Villa Park on April 28, 1980.

BRISTOL Rovers' Vic Lambden scored the quickest FA Cup

goal on December 20, 1947, netting after only eight seconds in a Third Round home tie with Aldershot.

ONLY one tie in the major Cup competitions has gone to six games. That was in the FA Cup Fourth Qualitying round between Alvechurch and Oxford City in 1971-72. Alvechurch eventually won 1-0.

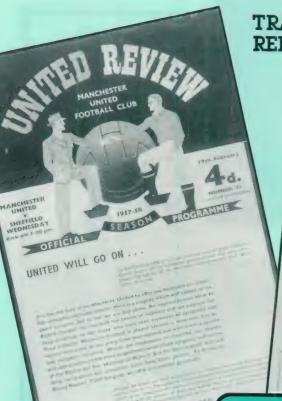
BILLY Wright didn't miss an England international for seven and a half years, a world record, between October 3, 1951 when England drew 2-2 with France, and October 17, 1959 when he was dropped before the game against Wales.

WEST Ham's Paul Allen became the youngest player to appear in an FA Cup Final in 1980 when he helped the 'Hammers' to a 1-0 win over Arsenal at the age of 17 years, 245 days.

MANCHESTER United's Norman Whiteside became the youngest player to appear in the World Cup Finals, at 17 years 41 days, when he played for Northern Ireland against Yugoslavia in the 1982 Finals in Spain

JOHN Work became the first British player to score a hattrick of penalities in a European match when Ipswich beat Aris Salonika (Greece) in the 1980-81 UEFA Cup.



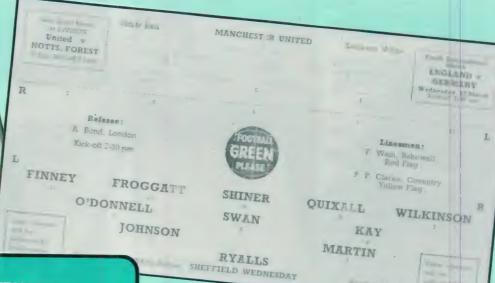


### TRAGIC REMINDER

HERE is the most poignant and tragic epitaph ever printed on the front cover of any programme, and inside probably the most remarkable team sheet with the Manchester United entry blank.

It was the first match after the tragic Munich Air Disaster of 1958 and a crowd of almost 60,000 packed into Old Trafford to will their patched-up team through an emotional FA Cup Fifth Round tie against Sheffield Wednesday.

The FA allowed Stan Crowther to play despite being signed only 53 minutes before the kick-off from Aston Villa and having already played in the competition. Shay Brennan marked his debut with two goals in the 3-0 victory, with Alex Dawson scoring the other.



### TWO PROGRAMMES FOR ONE GAME

MORE than 100,000 fans piled into Goodison Park and Anfield to watch the Merseyside showdown between Everton and Liverpool in the FA Cup Fifth Round, on March 11, 1967.

There were 64,851 crammed into Goodison to watch the match proper which ended with an Alan Ball winner for Everton, and an incredible 40,149 at Anfield to witness the first-ever live closed-circuit TV relay of an FA Cup tie.

And for the fans at Anfield, a special souvenir programme was produced to mark the occasion.

A FASCINATING threepage glance at some programmes of games that produced unique moments, historic happenings and ... tales of the unexpected.

There's the time when Arsenal provided seven members of the England team, the day more than 100,000 people watched a Liverpool v Everton FA Cup-tie from two different grounds and when European football came to Plymouth.

### TALES





### HELLO, IT'S YOU AGAIN!

THE Huddersfield defence of 1952-53 — goalkeeper Bill Wheeler, full-backs Ron Staniforth and Laurie Kelly, and the half-back trio of Bill McGarry, Don McEvoy and Len Quested became as familiar as the alphabet to football followers that season.

That defence was unchanged throughout Huddersfield's Second Division programme which ended with the Yorkshire side going up into Division One as runners-up to Sheffield United.

The settled formation conceded only 47 goals — the best record in the Division.



### ARSENAL ... NO IT'S ENGLAND!

ARSENAL staged this 1934 clash with reigning World Champions Italy and created an all-time record by providing seven players

for the England team.
Five were originally selected,
but right-back George Male and
centre-forward Ted Drake were drafted in at the last minute for their debuts because of injuries.

England won the match 3-2 with goals from Manchester City's Eric Brook (2) and Drake. Also in the side was 19-year-old Stanley Matthews playing in only his second international and he was still playing for England 23 years

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### OH BROTHER!

JUST 13 months separated two remarkable scoring feats by the

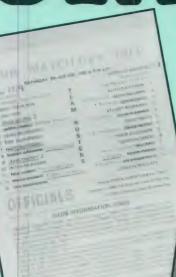
Baker boys, Gerry and Joe, in the Scottish Cup.

The lesser-known Gerry scored ten goals — a Scottish Cup record this century — as Cup holders St Mirren began their defence of the trophy with a club record 15-0 thrashing of Glasgow University at Love Street on January 30, 1960.

But Joe couldn't allow his brother to steal all the limelight. The following February he collected nine goals as Hibernian piled up a record 15-1 victory over Peebles Rovers.

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### **BROWNED OFF!**

**HAMILTON Academical's 9-1** opening day drubbing of Berwick Rangers on August 9, 1980, produced a unique moment in Scottish League history. For included in Hamilton's spree

was a hat-trick from left-back John Brown, the only time a full-back has managed a League trio without the aid of a penalty.



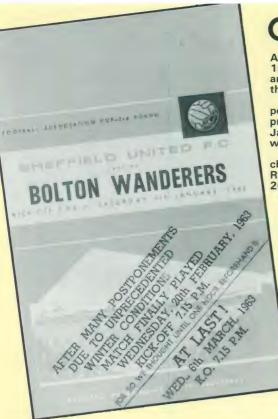
### PENALTY KING!

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THIS Manchester City programme for the clash with **Everton on December** 7, 1957, holds special memories for their former winghalf Ken Barnes, father of the Leeds and England winger, Peter.

It was the last occasion a First Division player scored a hat-trick of penalties as City ran up a 6-2 victory.



### **COLD STORAGE**

AS you can see from the front cover of this 1963 FA Cup clash between Sheffield United and Bolton, fans had to wait two months for the actual Third Round tie to be played.

The match suffered a record 14 postponements during the 'Big Freeze' and the programme was kept in cold storage from January 5 to March 6 when United ran out 3-1 winners.

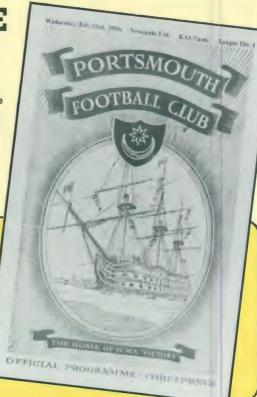
It serves as a reminder of the longest and chaotic FA Cup round in history. The Third Round took 66 days to complete and included 261 postponements.

### LIGHTING UP!

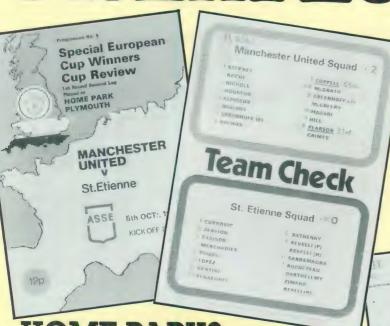
A MOMENTOUS occasion in football history with Portsmouth staging the first-ever floodlit League match on February 22, 1956.

A crowd of 15,000 turned out on a freezing cold night to watch this historic event, but most of them went home disappointed as visitors Newcastle won 2-0.

Ironically, all the lights around the ground, except the filodlights, fused half-an-hour before the match and the game kicked off eight minutes late.



### TALES OF THE UNEXPECTED



### SEVEN UP!

THE number seven beside Neville Coleman's name on the team sheet for Stoke City's 1957-58 clash with Lincoln City (below) proved to have far greater significance than anyone could have imagined.

The dashing winger blasted seven of Stoke's eight goals for a share of the Second Division goalscoring record and an outright Football

League record for a genuine winger. Stoke collected 16 home wins that season, but their poor away form — only four victories — ruined their chances of promotion.

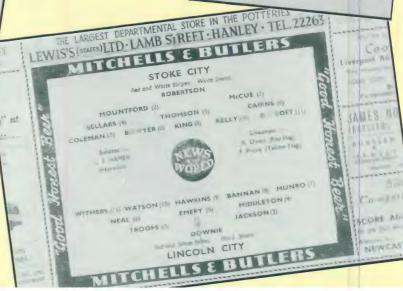


### **HOME PARK?**

IT would have happened this season had brave little Plymouth gone a step or two further in the FA Cup, but their Home Park actually staged a European Cup Winners' Cup tie for Manchester United's benefit in 1977.

Following crowd trouble after the first leg with St Etienne in France, United were ordered to play their 'home' leg 125 miles from Old Trafford.

They chose Plymouth and more than 31,000 piled in to see goals from Steve Coppell and Stuart Pearson take United through to the Second Round 3-1 on aggregate.



MANCHESTER United's Welsh sensation Mark Hughes admits that he was haunted by the ghosts of Andy Ritchie and Scott McGarvey last season.

The young striker, who took over from Norman Whiteside towards the end of last season feared that his future at the club may have been in jeopardy before it had really begun.

He says: "I was worried I might have to go elsewhere to prove myself."

Top young strikers like Andy and Scott have had to leave United to establish themselves and Mark says: "It took me such a long time to get a chance in the first team that I feared I may have had to follow

Mark was drafted into the United side to boost the club's flagging goalscoring record, and he says: "At the beginning of last season, a first team place seemed so far away because Norman and Frank Stapleton were playing so well.

"Although I was always involved in the first team squad, it was so frustrating sitting every match out in the

stands

"I didn't want to leave United but I felt it was time I started to

make an impact.

And whenever the youngster was called upon last term, it was an impact he made. On his senior debut against Oxford in the Milk Cup Fourth Round, he saved United's skin - albeit temporarily - with their only goal in a draw at the Manor Ğround

The 20-year-old had to wait another three months before being called into action again for United's vital European Cup Winners' Cup clash with Spanish giants Barcelona in the awe-inspiring Nou Camp Stadium.

He remembers: "I didn't have time to get nervous because I only knew I was playing a couple of hours before the kick-off. Norman failed a late fitness test and the boss called me into the side

And he admits that the atmosphere in the 75,000-seater stadium took him by surprise.
He says: "It was a million miles from what I'd ever experienced before. I had only been used to playing in front of a couple of hundred people in the reserves."

An injury-stricken United side were desperately unlucky to lose the First Leg 2-0, and manager Ron Atkinson kept faith with his young protege

and included him in their next game against Leicester.

And Mark served notice to the rest of the First Division with a goal on his League debut and he hasn't looked back since.

Four goals in seven League games — plus one on his full international debut for Wales against England — made him Manchester United's man-ofthe-moment

Mark is quick to admit the debt he owes his striking partner Frank Stapleton and says of the Eire international "He was tremendous and never stopped encouraging me or giving me advice. I have learned a lot from him."

The highlight of his meteoric rise to fame was his international debut and Mark says: "That came as a tremendous shock. After all, I'd played only four senior games when I was called into the squad.

Mark made a story-book debut when he returned to his home town club, Wrexham, and scored Wales' winner in their last British Championship match against the English

"To make my debut in Wrexham at the Racecourse Ground was a bit special for me. I used to watch the Welsh team as a lad and used to dream of playing there.

"It was a tremendous thrill to score a goal in front of my family and friends, who had all come to watch."

Mark's potential was spotted while he was playing for Wrexham schoolboys and he soon had a whole host of bigname clubs trailing him — including United, Manchester City, West Brom and Everton.

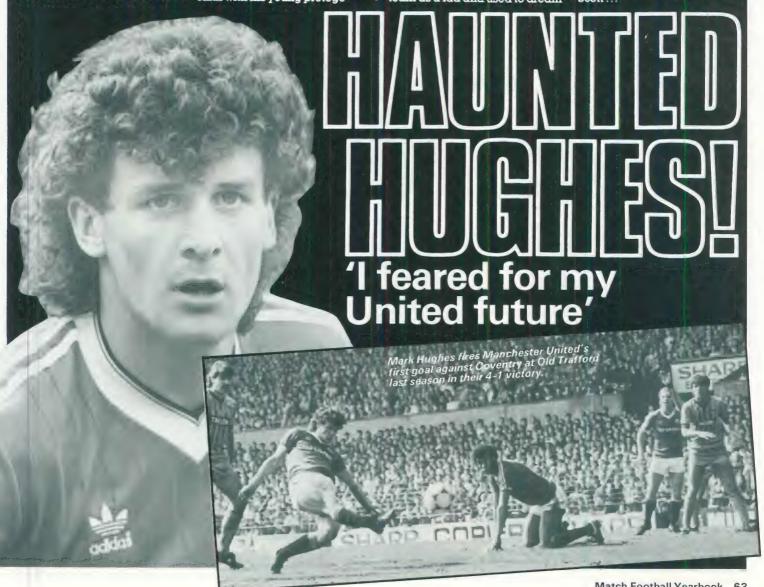
When Mark moved to Manchester he joined the club as a midfielder and he says: "If I had stayed there I would never have made the grade.

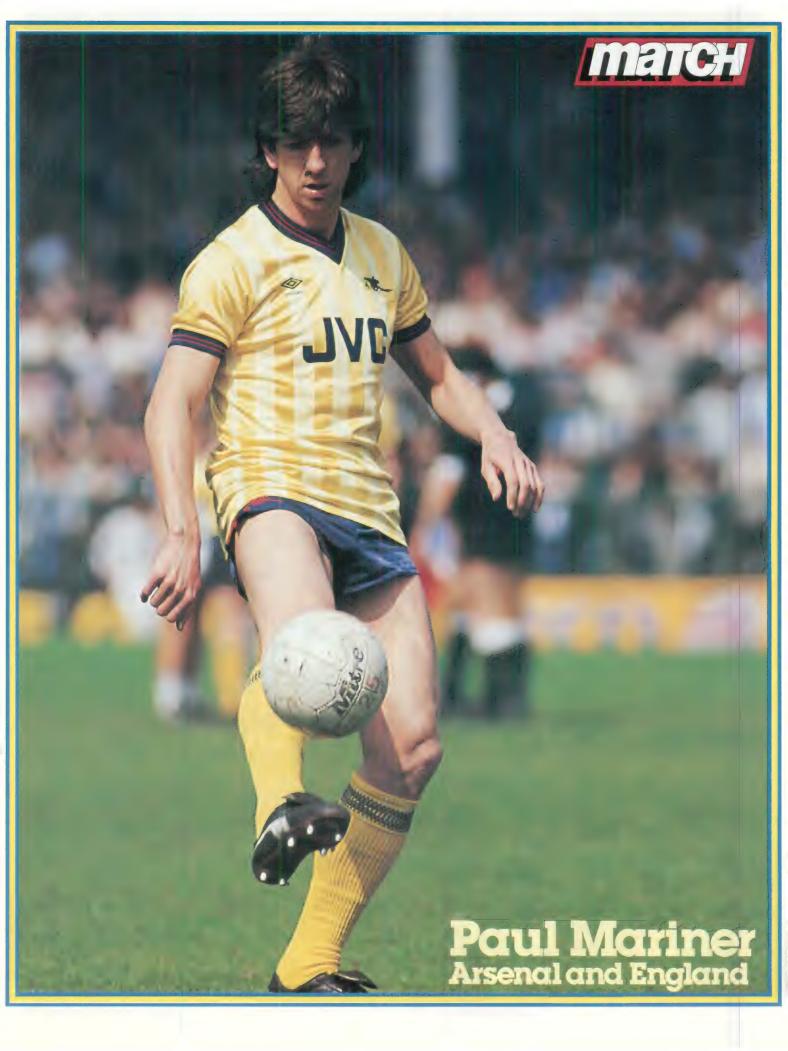
"I was really struggling at Old Trafford and it was one of the coaches there who persuaded me to try my luck up front. That was the turning point of my career.

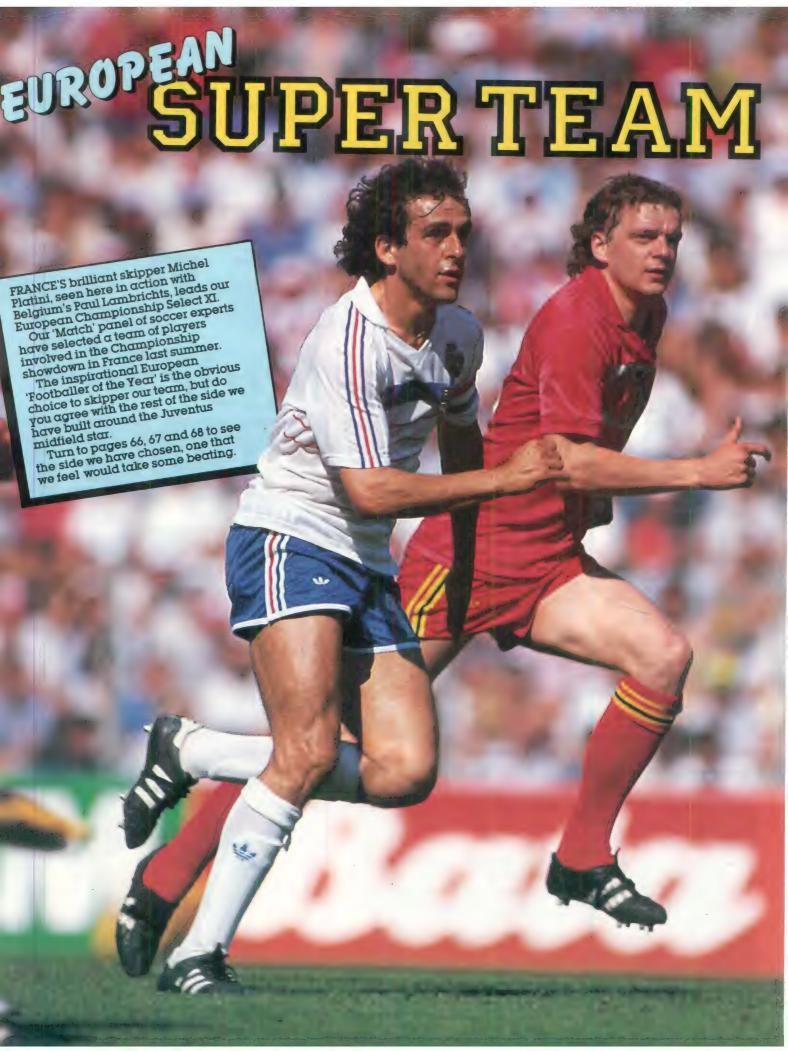
Now the youngster has shown what he can do, he realises this season will be his biggest test — especially with the arrival of big-money buy Alan Brazil from Tottenham

He says: "The pressure is on me to produce the goods and keep scoring goals. That's the only way I can force myself into

If he doesn't, Mark knows he could still follow Andy and Scott ...







### HARALD SCHUMACHER

(West Germany) Club: Cologne. Age: 30

THE much-publicised incident with France's **Patrick Battiston during the** 1982 World Cup Semi-Finals in Spain has tended to detract from the ability of the experienced Cologne keener.

Capped more than fifty times by West Germany, he remains as one of the top goalkeepers in Europe.

He took over from the legendary Sepp Maier after the 1978 World Cup Finals in **Argentina and helped West** Germany regain the **European Championship two** years later.



Spain Club: Real Madrid Age: 29

THE Real Madrid full-back was one of only a handful of players retained by Spain for the **European Championship Finals** following the World Cup flop two years earlier.

His forte is a close marking game that can frustrate the most talented of players and he demonstrated that in the Final when he allowed French skipper Michel Platini few opportunities to shine.

He's been capped more than 50 times by his country and is sure to play a leading role in Spain's bid to reach the 1986 World Cup Finals in Mexico.



### ANTONIO **MACEDA**

(Spain) Club: Sporting Gijon. Age: 27

ALTHOUGH the powerful blond defender was included in Spain's 1982 World Cup Final squad, he never managed to get any further than the substitute's bench.

But during the European Championship Finals in France, the Sporting Gijon powerhouse emerged as a key member of the Spanish side which surprised most pundits by reaching the Final.

He missed the Final against France due to suspension, but it was his vital goals along the way which enabled the Spaniards to feature in Paris. He scored the last minute goal which knocked out West Germany, and grabbed the equaliser against Denmark in the Semi-Finals that forced the penalty shoot-out.

### KARL-HEINZ FORSTER

(West Germany) Club: Stuttgart. Age: 26

CAME into the West German side after the team's failure to retain the World Cup in Argentina in 1978 and has been the defensive lynchpin ever since.

He figured prominently in the 1980 European Championship success in Italy and has formed a formidable defensive barrier at both club and international level with his older brother

He's regarded as one of the best central defenders around the European scene, and was the strong force in the Stuttgart side which snatched the German Championship on goal difference last season.



### **MORTEN OLSEN**

(Denmark) Club: Anderlecht. Age: 34



**DENMARK'S** most experienced player in the European **Championship Finals** with more than sixty caps.

He made light work of his near veteran status during Denmark's qualification for their first major soccer Finals, which included an outstanding performance against England at Wembley.

He showed English fans a further glimpse of his quality defending when Belgian side Anderlecht lost to Tottenham in the UEFA Cup Final last season. having been in the team which lifted the European trophy the previous year.



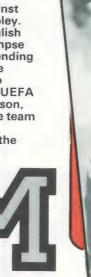
AFTER his brilliant captain Michel Platini, the Bordeaux star was probably the next most influencial player in the European Championship

His electrifying pace, stamina and close control played a major part in France's success, especially in the Final where he was the

victory over Spain.

His creative ability laid on the dramatic winner for Platini in the Semi-Final win over Portugal, and his inch-perfect through ball for Bruno Bellone killed off Spain in the last minute of the Final.

The only flaw in his make-up is his lack of goals. After more than thirty internationals, he's still waiting for his first goal.



### **ALAIN GIRESSE**

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(France) Club: Bordeaux Age: 32

THE diminuative midfield dynamo exerted his influence on world football during the 1982 World Cup Finals in Spain where he emerged as France's outstanding performer.

His almost telepathic understanding with Michel Platini and clubmate Jean Tigana makes him a vital cog in the French midfield that is arguably the most devastating in the world.

Although close to the twilight of his career, the little creator could still be a major influence on French football as they bid to continue their success in the 1986 World Cup Finals in Mexico.



(France) Club: Juventus. Age: 29

VIRTUALLY all the superlatives available have been used to describe the brilliance of the French skipper and his influence on his country's first major football

He set a new record of nine goals for the Finals which included successive hat-tricks against Yugoslavia and Belgium and took his international tally to a French record 35 in only 53 games, a

Apart from his international success, he helped Juventus regain the Italian Championship by finishing top scorer in the League, and played a leading role in their European Cup Winners' Cup victory.



### FERNANDO CHALANA

(Portugal) Club: Bordeaux. Age: 25

WITH Portugal having gone through a transitional period at international level, little was known about the quality and potential of their players before the European Championship Finals.

But they proved in reaching the Semi-Finals that they are on the way back as an international force with Benfica's Fernando Chalana emerging as one of the tournament's ever eatching newcomers.

tournament's eye-catching newcomers.

The talented midfield player had only appeared in one of Portugal's qualifying games, but he displayed in the Finals a shrewd tactical brain and subtle touches to indicate that the Portuguese had discovered an exciting new talent.

And he certainly caught the eye of French champions Bordeaux who signed him after the tournament to link up with Jean Tigana and Alain Giresse.



### PREBEN ELKJAER

(Denmark) Club: Verona. Age: 26

THE skilful Danish striker proved such an outstanding success in the European Championship Finals that he was immediately snapped up by big-spending Italian club Verona.





### RUI MANUEL JORDAO

(Portugal) Club: Sporting Lisbon Age: 31

THE black striker came close to spoiling the French party in the European Championships with his two goals in the dramatic Semi-Final.

Jordao, the only player in the Portuguese side that didn't play for either Benfica or FC Porto, struck two brilliant goals created by the skilful Chalana to leave France 1-2 down with only five minutes of extra-time remaining.

It's history now that France came back to snatch their ticket to glory in the very last minute, but big Jordao left his mark on the tournament along with the rest of his Portuguese teammates who arrived in France as virtual outsiders.

### **GROUP ONE**

Tuesday, June 12 FRANCE (0) 1 (Platini 77) DENMARK (0) 0 Att: 47,570 (in Paris) France: Bats, Battiston, Le Roux (sub. Domergue), Bossis, Amoros, Tigana, Fernandez, Giresse, Platini, Lacombe, Bellone.
Denmark: Qvist, Busk, Olsen M. Lerby, Nielsen, Birtelsen, Arnesen (sub. Olsen J), Berggreen, Simonsen (sub. Lauridsen), Elkjaer, Sending Off: Amoros (France).

Wednesday, June 13 BELGIUM (2) 2 (Vandenbergh 28, Grun 44) YUGOSLAVIA (0) 0 Att: 45,000 (in Lens)
Belgium: Pfaff, Grun, De Greef,
Clijsters (sub. Lambrichts), De
Wolf, Scifo, Vandereycken,
Vercauteren, Claesen, Vandenbergh. Yugoslavia: Simovic, Stojkovic N, Hadzibegic, Katanec, Zajec, Bazdarevic (sub. Stojkovic D), Sestic, Gudelj, Vujovic (sub. Cvetkovic), Susic, Halilovic.

Saturday, June 16 FRANCE (3) 5 (Platini 3, pen 74, 89, Giresse 31, Fernandez 44) BELGIUM (0) 0 Att: 40,000 (in Nantes) France: Bats, Fernandez, Bossis, Battiston, Domergue, Tigana, Genghini (sub. Tusseau), Giresse, Platini, Lacombe (sub. Rocheteau),

Belgium: Pfaff, Grun, Lambrichts, De Graaf, De Wolf, Vandereycken (sub. Coeck), Scifo (sub. Verheyen), Verdauteren, Ceulemans, Claesen, Vandenbergh.

DENMARK (2) 5 (Arnesen 8, pen 68, Berggreen 18, Larsen 82, Lauridsen 84) YUGOSLAVIA (0) 0 Att: 34,745 (in Lyon) Denmark: Qvist, Rasmusen (sub. Sivebaek), Busk, Olsen M, Nielsen, Lerby, Bertelsen, Berggreen, Arnesen (sub. Lauridsen), Larsen,

Laudrup. Yugoslavia: Ivkovic, Stojkovic M, Radnavic, Zajec, Miljus, Katanec (sub. Halilovic), Gudelj, Bazdarevic (sub. Stojkovic D), Susic, Cvetkovic, Vujovic.

Tuesday, June 19 FRANCE (0) 3 (Platini 59, 61, 76) YUGOSLAVIA (1) 2 (Sestic 31, Stojkovic, D, pen 80) Att: 50,000 (in St. Etienne) France: Bats, Fernandez, Battiston, Bossis, Domergue, Tigana, Giresse, Platini, Ferreri, Rocheteau (sub. Yugoslavia: Simovic, Radanovic, Stojkovic N, Zajec, Miljus, Sestic, Gudelj, Bazdarevic (sub. Katanec), Stojkovic D, Susic, Vujovic (sub.

Tuesday, June 19
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Brylle 60, Elkjaer 84)
BELGIUM (2) 2 (Ceulemans 27,
Vercauteren 39) Att: 45,000 (in Strasbourg) Denmark: Qvist, Rasmussen (sub. Brylle), Olsen M, Nielsen, Busk, Armesen (sub. Sivebaek), Bertelsen, Berggreen, Lerby, Elkjaer, Laudrup. Belgium: Pfaff, Grun, Clijsters, De Greef, De Wolf, Scifo, Vercauteren (sub. Voordeckers), Vandereycken, Vandenbergh, Claesen (sub. Coeck), Ceulemans.

Final positions

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### EUROPEAN **EHAMPIONSHIP** Results round-up

### **GROUP TWO**

Thursday, June 14 WEST GERMANY (0) 0 PORTUGAL (0) 0 Att: 47,590 (in Strasbourg) West Germany: Schumacher, Forster B, Stielike, Forster K-H, Briegel, Buchwald (sub. Matthaus), Brehmer, Rolff (sub. Bommer), Rummenigge, Voeller, Allofs. Portugal: Bento, Joao Pinto, Lima Pereira, Eurico, Alvaro, Sousa, Frasco (sub. Beloso), Pacheco, Carlos Manuel, Jordao (sub. Gomes),

SPAIN (1) 1 (Carrasco pen 12) RUMANIA (1) 1 (Boloni 34) Att: 15,000 (in St. Etienne) Spain: Arconada, Uruiaga, Camacho, Maceda, Goicoechea, Gordillo, Senor, Victor, Santillana, Gallego (sub. Julio Alberto), Carrasco. Rumania: Lung, Rednic, Stefanescu, Ungueanu, Iorgulescu, Coras, Klein, Camataru, Boloni, Dragnea (sub. Ticleanu), Gabor (sub. Hagi).

Portugal: Bento, Joao Pinto, Eurico, Lima Pereira, Alvaro, Frasco (sub. Diamantino), Carlos Manuel, Pachezo, Sousa, Chalana, Jordao. Spain: Arconada, Uruiaga (sub. Senor), Goicoechea, Maceda, Camacho, Victor, Julio Alberto (sub. Sarabia), Gallego, Gordillo, Santillana, Carrasco.

WEST GERMANY (1) 2 (Voeller 32, RUMANIA (0) 1 (Coras 46) Att: 40,000 (in Lens) West Germany: Schumacher, Forster B, Forster K-H (sub. Buchwald), Stielike, Briegel, Matthaus, Meire (sub. Littbarski), Brehme, Allofs, Voeller, Rummenigge. Rumania: Lung, Ungureanu, Stefanescu, Andone, Rednic, Hagi (sub. Zare), Klein, Boloni, Dragnea (sub. Ticleanu), Camataru, Coras.

Sunday, June 17 PORTUGAL (0) 1 (Sousa 52) SPAIN (0) 1 (Santillana 72) Att: 22,000 (in Marseille)

Semi-Finals

Final positions

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Wednesday, June 20 WEST GERMANY (0) 0 SPAIN (0) 1 (Maceda 89) Att: 40,000 (in Paris)

(sub. Littbarski), Allofs, Voeller,

PORTUGAL (0) 1 (Nene 80) RUMANIA (0) 0

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Spain: Arconada, Camacho, Maceda, Goicoechea (sub. Salva), Julio
Alberto (sub. Francisco), Gordillo, Senor, Victor, Santillana, Carrasco,

Att: 20,000 (in Nantes)
Portugal: Bento, Joao Pinto, Eurico,
Lima Pereira, Alvaro, Frasco, Carlos

Manual (sub. Nene), Sousa, Jordao, Gomez, Chalana (sub. Diamantino).

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Irimescu (sub. Gabor), Camatura

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Saturday, June 23 FRANCE (1) 3 (Domergue 25, 115, Platini 119) PORTUGAL (0) 2 (Jordao 74, 98) Att: 56,468 (in Marseille) After extra-time France: Bats, Battiston, Le Roux, Bossis, Domergue, Tigana, Giresse, Platini, Fernandez, Lacombe (sub. Ferreri), Six (sub. Bellone). Portugal: Bento, Alvar, Lima Pereira, Eurico, Joao Pinto, Sousa (sub. Nene), Frasco, Pacheco, Diamantino (sub. Gomez), Chalana, Jordao.

Sunday, June 24 SPAIN (0) 1 (Maceda 67) DENMARK (1) 1 (Lerby 6) Att: 47,843 (in Lyon) Spain: Arconada, Camacho, Maceda, Gordillo, Senor, Victor, Santillana, Gallego, Carrasco, Salva, Moreno (sub. Sarabia). Denmark: Qvist, Busk, Olsen M (sub. Brylle), Nielsen, Lerby, Bertelsen, Elkjaer, Berggreen, Laudrup, Arnesen (sub. Olsen J), Sivebak. Sending Off: Berggreen (Denmark)

### **Masterly Michel!**



MICHEL Platini proved himself to be the best player in the world as he inspired France to victory in the European Championship Finals. He scored nine goals in five games, including two hat-tricks, as France swept to their first major Championship, defeating surprise Finalists

first major Championship, defeating surprise Finalists Spain 2-0 in front of a packed Parc des Princes in Paris.

The artistry and goal power of the Juventus-based European 'Footballer of the Year', entwined with the cunning of Alain Giresse and the acceleration of Jean Tigana, provided France with the firm base on which to fulfill

Ilgana, provided France with the firm base on which to fulfil the potential they showed in the 1982 World Cup Finals.

Platini, who also created a new goalscoring record for France, scored in every match, including the last-ditch winner against Portugal in the Semi-Finals after the hosts had been Finals after the hosts had been 2-1 down with just five minutes of extra-time

In the other Semi-Final, Spain ended the hopes of England's conquerors Denmark in a dramatic penalty shoot-out following a 1-1 draw, striker Preben Elkjaer being the unfortunate Dane to fluff his spot kick.

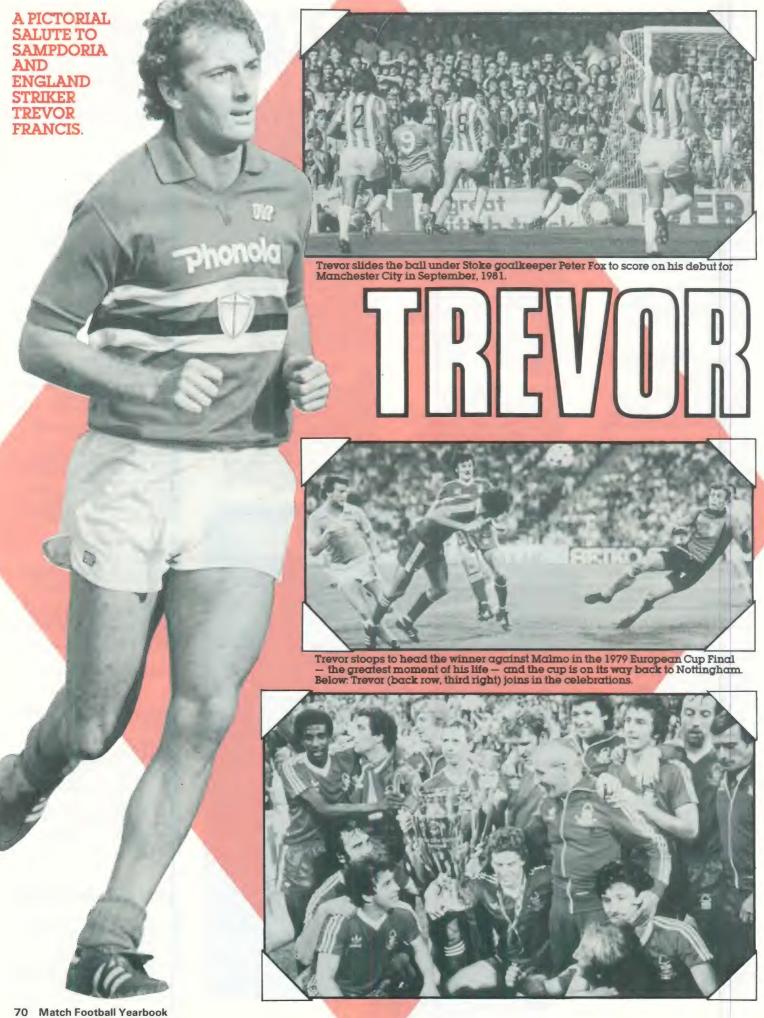
### FINAL

FRANCE (0) 2 (Platini 57, Bellone SPAIN (0) 0 Att: 47,368 (in Paris)
France: Bats, Battiston (sub. Amoros), Le Roux, Bossis, Domergue, Giresse, Tigana, Fernandez, Platini, Lacombe (sub. Genghini), Bellone.
Spain: Arconada, Urquiaga, Salva
(sub. Roberto), Gallego, Julio Alberto
(sub. Sarabia), Senor, Victor,
Camacho, Francisco, Santillana, Sending off: Le Roux (France).

### LEADING SCORERS

Michel Platini (France) Frank Arnesen (Denmark)

Rudi Voeller (West Germany), Antonio Maceda (Spain), Jordao (Portugal), Jean-Francoise Domergue (France).





On target for England in the 2-0 win against Hungary at Wembley in the European Championships.



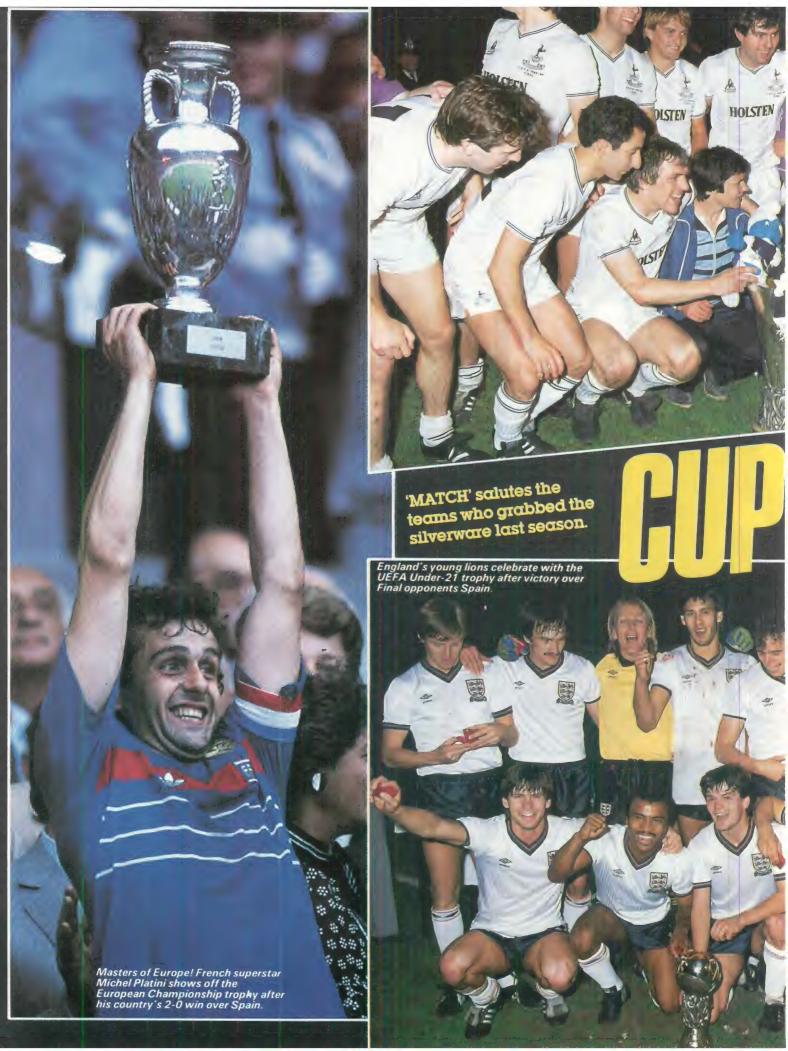
Arms aloft, Trevor celebrates after helping Forest to their second successive European Cup Final with a victory over Ajax in 1980.



Agony this time as Trevor is given his marching orders during the game between Manchester City and Everton in 1982.

One of Trevor's proudest moments as he lines up for England's first game of the 1982 World Cup Finals against France.









DO you know what's been really nice about this season? That infuriating 'whistler' Clive Thomas isn't around to drive me bonkers with his refereeing decisions.

Clive has been retired from the League list and I say good riddance!

Remember that time in the 1978 World Cup when he ruled out a Brazil goal right on the stroke of full-time? He allowed the Brazilians a corner and then blew the whistle for full-time before a geezer headed it in. Crazy, I say.

Footballers should make the headlines, not referees.

TALKING of wallies, I wonder where FIFA plan to stage the next World Cup Finals after Mexico — Outer Mongolia, perhaps?

Why can't they see that the United States is by far the best place to stage the world's most important soccer tournament?

The Yanks would make a marvellous job of hosting the Finals and a successful tournament would convert America to soccer.. and wouldn't that be a giant step forward?





WHAT a wally! Brian Clough must be the most qualified man to manage England,

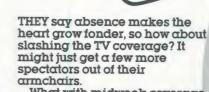
yet he'll never get the job . . . Late night TV viewers will have seen Cloughie necking with a blonde on a park bench in a beer advert. Can you imagine the pink gin mob up at Lancaster Gate ever giving him the job now?

IRISHMEN defy all logic at the best of times, but the Northern Ireland soccer team ... well, I'm lost for words.

How can a side that defeats West Germany home and away in the European Championship travel to little Finland and lose 1-0 in an important World Cup qualifier? What's the world coming to?



MEET Clogger - the soccer commentator who goes in over the top. Don't miss his regular hard-hitting column every week in Match'.



What with midweek coverage, a live match now and again and with highlights from as many as four or five matches at the weekends, it's little wonder

the punters aren't going to shell out £3 or £4 quid

to stand on a cold terrace.

The first 'live' game of this season between Chelsea and Everton hardly provided football with an eye-catching advertisement for entertainment.

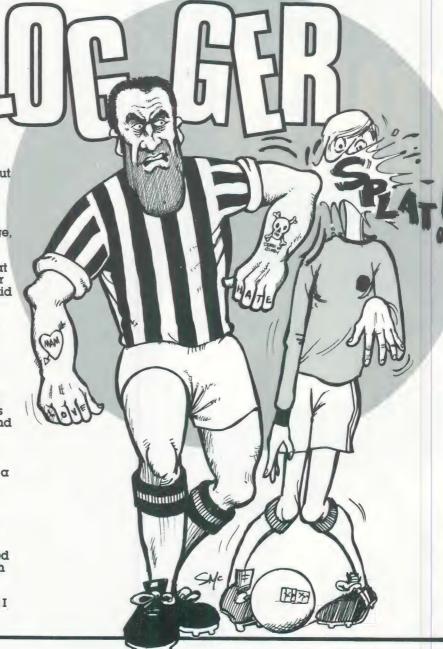
If we 'blacked out' football on the telly reduced the number of teams in the First Division to a manageable number so cutting back on the midweek matches, then we might see more people coming through the turnstiles and, you never know, a better prepared England

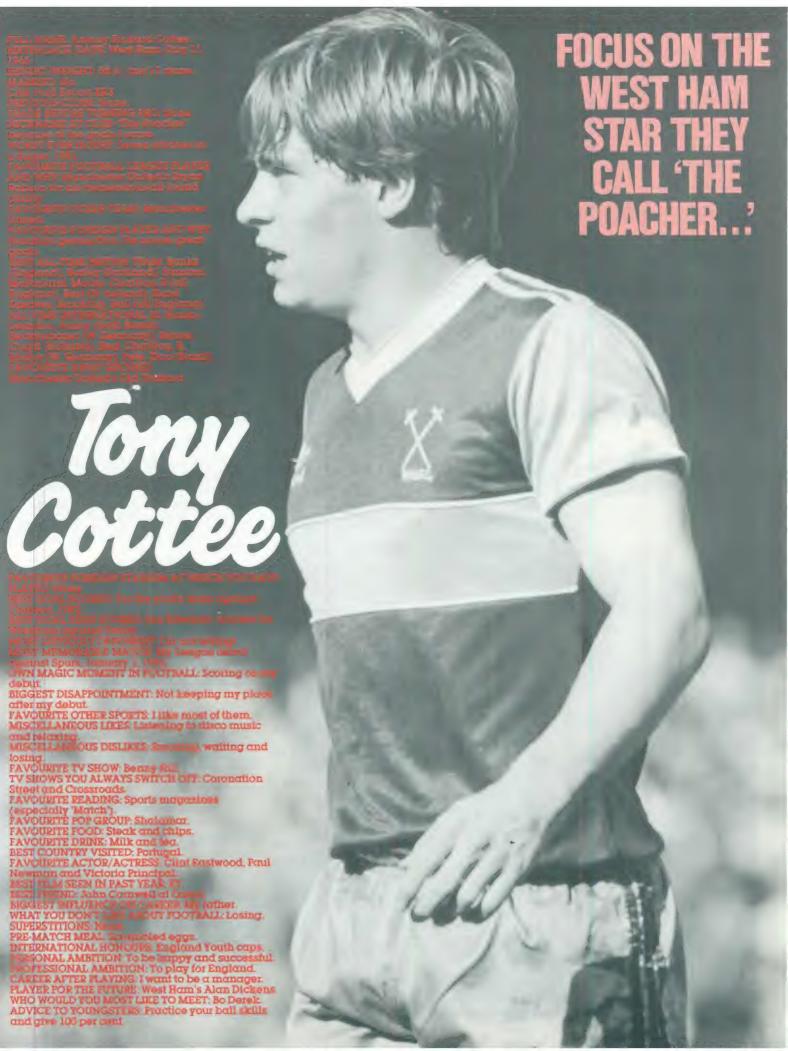


I TOOK all the rave notices France got when winning the European Championship with a pinch of salt.

I wasn't impressed. Sure, they've got some fine footballers but I reckon they lack 'bottle'. They nearly blew their Semi-Final against Portugal and were hard-pressed to beat a very ordinary Spanish side in the Final.

The last time England played France in a competitive fixture, we thumped them 3-1. And I reckon we'd give them a similar hiding if we meet them in Mexico . .





YOUR guide to the current **European League and Cup winners.** 

#### ALBANIA

CHAMPIONS: A new name appeared on the Championship trophy with Labinoti of Elbasan winning the title for the first time after finishing in the bottom half of the table the previous season. CUP: Nendori retained the Cup by defeating Flamurtari 2-1 in the Final.



#### AUSTRIA

CHAMPIONS: Austria Vienna, pipped for the title the previous season by Rapid Vienna, got revenge by preventing Rapid from completing a hat-trick of Championship

CUP: Rapid Vienna retained the Cup at the expense of Austria Vienna, winning the competition on the away goals rule after a 3-3 draw on aggregate.

#### BELGIUM

CHAMPIONS: Beveren ended Standard Liege's hat-trick bid by lifting the Championship for the first time since 1979 and only the second time in their history. CUP: It just wasn't Standard Liege's year. Apart from their involvement in the big bribes scandal, they also lost 2-0 to midtable Ghent in the Cup Final, the winners having only achieved promotion to the First Division the previous season.

#### FINLAND

CHAMPIONS: Ilves Tampere, who finished near the bottom in the Championship play-offs the previous season, hit the jackpot this time by winning the crown. CUP: Kuusysi, unseated as Champions, at least had the consolation of winning the Cup, defeating Halka Valkeakosken 2-0 in

#### FRANCE

CHAMPIONS: Bordeaux, runners-up the previous season, went one better this time to lift the Championship for the first time in

34 years.
CUP: Monaco, pipped at the post by
Bordeaux in the title chase, also finished
second best in the Cup, surprisingly losing to mid-table Metz 2-0 in the Final.

#### BULGARIA

CHAMPIONS: CSKA Sofia's four-year reign as champions was ended by Levski Spartak who were runners-up the previous season. It was their 14th title success since 1925. CUP: Levski Spartak completed the 'double' for the third time in eight years, beating Trakia Plovdiv 1-0 in the Final.

#### **CYPRUS**

CHAMPIONS: Ormonia Nicosia continued their domination of affairs on the island by winning the title for the tenth time in 11

years.
CUP: Apoel, the only other side to win the Championship since 1974, lifted the Cup for the 11th time since 1935 to end Omonia's attempt to complete their fourth succesive 'double'. They beat Pezoporikos 3-1 in the Final.

#### **CZECHOSLOVAKIA**

CHAMPIONS: Although Sparta Prague completed their 14th title win since 1926 it was their first Championship success since

CUP: Sparta Prague completed a 'double' for the first time in the country for ten years. The last team to achieve it was Inter-Bratislava, who Sparta defeated 4-2 in the Cup Final.

#### DENMARK

CHAMPIONS: Lyngby, fifth the previous season, won the Championship for the first

CUP: Lyngby completed a 'double' in the country for the first time since 1972.

#### **ENGLAND**

CHAMPIONS: Liverpool became only the third team in League history to complete a hat-trick of League Championships, It was their 15th title and their eighth since 1973.
CUP: Everton completed a great season for
Merseyside by winning the FA Cup. They
defeated Watford 2-0 in the Final to record their first Wembley success since 1966.

#### **EAST GERMANY**

CHMAPIONS: Dynamo Berlin continued their domination of East German football by winning the title for the sixth successive

year.
CUP: The all-conquering Dynamo Berlin side were again denied the 'double', this time by Dynamo Dresden who won the Cup Final 2-1 to complete their second Cup triumph in three years.

#### WEST GERMANY

CHAMPIONS: After one of the closest title races in years, Stuttgart snatched the Championship on goal difference from hat-

rick seeking Hamburg and Borussia
Moenchengladbach.

CUP: Borussia Moenchengladbach also
missed out in the Cup, losing a dramatic
Final 7-6 on penalties to Bayern Munich,
who completed their second Cup victory in three seasons.

#### GREECE

CHAMPIONS: Panathinaikos ended Olympiakos' bid to win the title for the fifth successive year by taking it for the first time since completing the 'double' in 1976. CUP: Panathinaikos lifted the Cup for the second time in three years, beating Larissa 2-0 in the Final.

#### HUNGARY

CHAMPIONS: Honved clinched the Championship for only the second time since 1955. Their previous title success was in 1980.

CUP: Second Division Siotor Banyass caused a surprise by winning the Cup for the first time, defeating the more functed Raba Eto 2-1 in the Final

#### **ICELAND**

CHAMPIONS: Vikingur's hopes of winning the title for the third successive year were ended by IA Akranes' eleventh Championship but their first since 1977. CUP: IA Akrones completed the 'double' by retaining the Cup at the expense of IBV Vestmann whom they beat 2-1 in the Final.



Bodo Rudwaleit, goalkeeper and captain of Dynamo Berlin, celebrates his team's sixth successive Championship success in East Germany.

#### **IRELAND (NORTHERN)**

CHAMPIONS: Linfield completed their sixth Championship success in seven years CUP: Former Middlesbrough goalkeeper Jim Platt marked his first season as player-manager of Ballymena United by leading them to a 4-1 win over Carrick Rangers in the Cup Final.

#### IRELAND (REPUBLIC)

CHAMPIONS: Shamrock Rovers, the most successful side in the country's history, collected their eleventh title since 1922, but it was their first for twenty years. CUP: Shamrock Rovers completed the 'double', beating University College, Dublin, 2-1 in a replay.

ITALY

CHAMPIONS: Mighel Platini's Juventus are back on top of Italian soccer after winning their third title in four years and their eighth

Lech Poznan, 'double winners in Poland, celebrate their FA Cup triumph over Wisla Krakow 3-0.

4-1 in the Final.

CUP Deposed Champions AS Roma gained some consolation by lifting the Cup, defeating Verona 2-1 on aggregate. It was their third Cup triumph in the past five

#### LUXEMBOURG

CHAMPIONS: Avenir Beggen, runners-up to Jeunesse Esch the previous season, returned to the top to regain the Championship. CUP: Avenir Beggen, the Cup holders, completed the 'double' by defecting Union

#### MALTA

CHAMPIONS: Valletta, runners-up the previous season, toppled reigning Champions Hamrun Spartans to win their first title since 1980.

CUP: Hamrun Spartan, who completed the 'double' the previous season, had to be content this time with retaining the Cup, beating Zurrieg 1-0 in the Final.

#### NETHERLANDS

CHAMPIONS: Feyencord, inspired by the legendary Dutch star Johan Cruyti, swept to their first Championship for 13 years.

CUP: Feyencord completed the double for the first time since 1969 by defeating Fortung Sitterd 1-0 in the Final.

#### NORWAY

CHAMPIONS Valerengen regained the crown they lost to Viking Stavanger the previous season, winning the fifte for only the third time since the war. CUP: Moss FR won the Cup for the first time in their history, denying Valerengen the 'double' by beating them 1-0.

#### POLAND

CHAMPIONS: Lech Poznan retained the Championship they won for the very first time the previous season.

CUP Lech Poznan completed a successful season by winning the 'double', beating Wisla Krakow 3-0 in the Final to lift the Cup for the second time in three years.

#### PORTUGAL

CHAMPIONS: Benfica maintained their domination of the Portuguese League by retaining the Championship, giving them their 27th title success since 1935. CUP: FC Porto, runners-up to Juventus in the European Cup Winners' Cup Final last season, collected the Cup by beating Rio Ave 4-1 on aggregate in the Final.

#### RUMANIA

CHAMPIONS: It was the same again in Rumania with Dynamo Bucharest completing a hat-trick of Championship SUCCESSES

CUP: Dynamo completed the 'double', beating city rivals Steaua 2-1 to lift the Cup for the second time in three years.

#### SCOTLAND

CHAMPIONS: Aberdeen regained the Premier Division title following Dundee United's success the previous season. CUP: The men from Pittodrie completed the 'double' for the first time in Aberdeen's history by defeating Celtic 2-1 in the Cup Final, so winning the Cup for the third successive year and equalling the record of Rangers this century.

#### SPAIN

CHAMPIONS: Athletic Bilbao again repelled the threat of Real Madrid to retain the Spanish Championship. CUP: Athletic Bilbao took their Cup wins to 23 since 1910 by defeating Barcelona 1-0 in a stormy Final to complete their first 'double' since 1959.

#### SWEDEN

CHAMPIONS: Gothenburg, the surprise 1982 **UEFA** Cup winners, retaine d the Championship, winning it for the 15th time to equal the record of Oranyte.

CUP: Malmo, remembered for their 1979

European Cup Final joust with Nottingham Forest, won the Cup for the sixth time in 11 years, beating Landstrong 1-0 in the Final.

#### SWITZERLAND

CHAMPIONS: Grasshoppers completed a hat-trick of title successes, but only after defeating Servette in a play-off after both teams had finished level at the top of the table

CUP: Servette gained some consolation for their title defeat by beating Lausanne 1-0 to win the Cup for the first time since they completed the 'double' in 1979.

#### TURKEY

CHAMPIONS: Trabzonspor, who won the title five times in six years between 1976 and 1981, unseated Fenerbahce after they had finished runners-up to them the previous secson.

CUP: Trabzonspor completed the 'double' for the first time since 1977 by defeating Besiktas 2 0 in the Cup Final.

CHAMPIONS: Dnepr Dnepropetrovsk upset the bigger names in Russia by winning the title for the first time. CUP: Dynamo Moscow completed their sixth Cup success since the last war by defeating Zenit Leningrad 2-0 in the Final.

#### WALES

CUP: Invited club Shrewsbury defected Wrexham in the Final to win the trophy for the fifth time.

#### YUGOSLAVIA

CHAMPIONS: Red Star Belgrade are back on top of the League after two lean seasons by their standards. It was their 15th title success since the 1920s, making then the most successful club in the country's history. CUP: Hajduk Split denied Red Star the 'double', beating them 2-1 on aggregate to lift the trophy for the first time since completing a four-timer in 1977.

FORMER Chelsea favourite Tommy Langley is determined to resurrect his career with relegated Wolves.

The striker must prove himself again after what he describes as a 'wasted' year following a turbulent spell in Greece and an unhappy

comeback with Coventry.
He says: "Two been out of the limelight of English football for so long that I've got to show people what I can do all over

Tommy's problems began following his close-season move from Crystal Palace to top Greek club AEK Athens, where he linked up with fellow English exports, coach John Barnwell and former Everton midfielder Trevor Ross.

Says Tommy. "I was really looking forward to the challenge of playing in a different country and the deal offered me financial security."

The Londoner signed a two year contract for the Athens club, but he was back home

club, but he was back home within six months.

He explains: "During all the time I was there, I played just two senior games. In the end I got so fed up I decided to cut my losses and come home.

"When I went to the club, I was the third import on their books but the Greeks are only allowed to have two. At the time, I was assured one of the others would be moving on. I took it as read that there would be no problems.

"But the player in question refused to budge until his

contract expired in December unless Athens paid him a huge sum of money. The club refused and I was left kicking my

Even when AEK's troublesome star finally departed, Tommy's problems weren't over. He became a

weren't over. He became a
victim of a power struggle
within the Greek club.
He says: "The president who
signed me resigned and his
successor clearly didn't like me
or the financial deal I'd worked out with the club.

"In the end, he just refused to

"In the end, he just refused to either play me or pay me some of the money I was due. I got so frustrated that I came home without collecting a lot of the cash which I was owed."

When Tommy returned to England, he trained with his old Stamford Bridge team-mates before ringing his former Chelsea boss Bobby Gould at Coventy. Coventry.

He says: "Bobby was interested in boosting his squad and he asked me up to

squad and he asked me up to Highfield Road and I signed on loan until the end of the season on transfer deadline day."

But Tommy's career took anoiner jolt and the move to the Midlands turned out to be a disaster. He says: "I wasted Coventry's time.

"After nearly nine months' lay-off because of my troubles in Greece. I just wasn't fit

in Greece, I just wasn't fit



Former Birmingham striker Tony Evans — linking up with Tommy Langley at Molineux

# enough for the rigours of First Division football

"When I returned to England I
didn't realise how unfit I was."
Tommy played in just two
First Division games for the 'Sky
Blues' against Aston Villa and
Spurs and he admits: "In both of

those games I was five yards slower than the other players.
"At the end of the season, Bobby Gould let me go on a free transfer but I was grateful for the two months he gave me at Highfield Road. At least it brought home to me how much work I'd have to do to be ready for the rigours of a full English

Out on a limb once again Tommy became frustrated at the lack of interest shown by English clubs in the close season until he discovered that his name had failed to appear on the Football League's list of players available on a free

He says: "I had talks with a couple of lower division clubs

but was very disappointed with the reaction from clubs in the

the reaction from clubs in the higher grades. I still felt I could do a good job there.
"So when I realised my name wasn't on the League's list. I decided to ring round some clubs and the first one I tried was Wolves. I knew Tommy Docherty was looking for

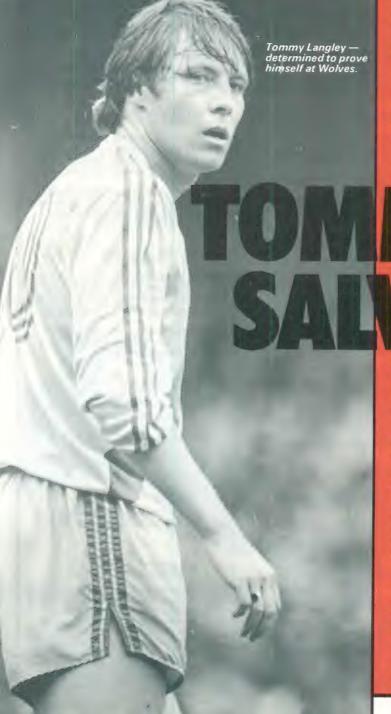
"Wolves may have had a bad time last season, but they are still one of the biggest names in English football and I had no second thoughts about joining

them.

The 26-year-old hopes to strike up a deadly partnership with Wolves' other new striker. Tony Evans — a free transfer signing from Crystal Palace

Tommy says: "Tony has got a very good scoring ratio and that's a great asset for any club. You know he'll always get his quota of goals.

"I hope I can make goals for him as well as score them myself."





John Wark — thought his Liverpool call was a hoax.

## **WARK'S WIND-UP!**

WHEN John Wark received a telephone call from someone saying his name was Joe Fagan, he thought it was a hoax.

The Scottish international felt sure it was lpswich prankster Eric Gates winding him up by impersonating the Liverpool boss.

And he was just about to hand out a verbal earbashing to the caller when something told him the call might be genuine.

Indeed it was the Anfield supremo on the line and John says: "Goodness knows how he would have reacted if I had let loose. It certainly wouldn't have been a very good way to start our association."

The reason for John's scepticism over the identity of the caller was the timing of the phone call . . . 10.30 on Sunday morning.

He recalls: "I couldn't imagine that the Liverpool boss would try to call me at such a time and that's what raised doubts in my mind.

"My first thoughts were that it might be Eric messing around because it wouldn't have been the first time he'd pulled a stunt like that.

"I wasn't really in the mood for jokes at that

time of day and I was just about to tell him where to get off."

John's now relieved he managed to control his tongue because the subsequent conversation resulted in him signing a four-year contract with the League Champions.

It was a dream move for John who says: "I had read stories in the papers connecting me with Liverpool but I never expected anything to materialise.

"In fact, it was the Champions' closest rivals Manchester United who had given the strongest indication before the transfer deadline that they wanted to sign me.

"Naturally a move to the Manchester club would have appealed to me, but I never had talks with them and now I'm delighted with the way things have worked out."

John saw the move as a marvellous opportunity to revive his flagging fortunes and give a welcome boost to a career which he admits had become stagnant at Ipswich. He says: "The move gave me a great chance to get

my career moving again."

SPOTLIGHT on two of Britain's most exciting players — John Wark and Paul Walsh — and the contrasting stories behind their moves to League Champions Liverpool during 1984.

## WALSH'S WORRY

PAUL Walsh went through months of torture before his £700,000 move to Anfield.

As the 1983-84 season drew to a close, speculation surrounding the talented youngster's future mounted and he admits: "It was getting on my nerves."

Stories linking the former Luton striker with the country's top clubs went back nearly a year, but it was only in the last few months that they began to take their toll.

The England international reveals: "My game suffered as a result of all the talk and off the field I was very irritable, snapping at people without cause.

"In the end I was absolutely sick and tired of all the questions, and I was just glad to get it all over and done with so I could concentrate on my football again."

As in the case of team-mate John Wark, Manchester United were in the hunt for the tricky striker but once again, Liverpool pipped their rivals at the post in the race for his signature.

And Paul admits: "Once Liverpool made me a concrete offer there was no decision to make. If it had been a choice between Liverpool and any other club I would have done the same thing."

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Like every starry-eyed player, Paul has always
dreamed of playing for a top club...but it was on
October 29, 1983 that he really yearned for the chance
to join Liverpool.

That was the day his former club Luton were hammered 6-0 at Anfield by a rampant Liverpool side hungry for more success.

He recalls: "It was one of those days when Liverpool would have murdered any team in the country. They were unstoppable.

"I remember sitting in the dressing room after that demoralising defeat and thinking to myself how great it would be to play in a team like that every week."

Now he has realised that ambition and he also hopes that playing for the Merseyside giants is going to help establish himself as an England international.

Right: Paul Walsh in action for Liverpool against West Ham's Ray Stewart.







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Paul Bradshaw and he made such Paul Bradshaw and he made such an impact that I had no hesitation in signing him on a full-time basis for £75,000 . . . it was money well

spent.
'Budgie' had a treme

scored a great Brazili goal against Barnsley

ONE of the saddest stories from last season. Poor Malcolm Brown looked forward to the new campaign full of optimism following his move from Huddersfield to North-East giants Newcastle.
But the defender had to

watch from the sidelines because of injury as the Kevin Keegan inspired 'Magpies' roared back into the First Division.

FRENCH superstar Michel Platini started the European Championships determined to prove he was the best player in the World . . . and he did just that! The Juventus midfielder told

'Match' before the start of the tournament: "This is my opportunity to prove I'm the

No-one will argue with him following his sensational performances and hat-tricks against Belgium and Yugoslavia.



FRENCH skipper Michel Platini is out to claim the 'world's best player' tag

FRENCH skipper Michel Platini is out to claim the 'world' a best player' tag in the heart of the European Championship Finals.
Speaking from the French squad's hideaway in the Pyrenees, the 29-year-old European Footballer of the Year' says: "I have been told that I am one of the best three players in the world along with Diego Maradons and Zoo, but this is my opportunity to prove I am the best. "I may lack their physical qualities, but I believe my form in Italy over the past two years will benefit me during the Finals.

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**EUROPEAN CHAM** 'Match' brings you t our usual up-to-date the world.

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ON the eve of Lincoln's FA Cup clash with Sheffield United, a question mark surrounds the future of one of their star performers...

LINCOLN'S highly-rated midfielder Glenn Cockerill looks set to leave Sincil Bank.

His performances for the Third Division this season have already prompted bids from Everton and Watford. Id despite the fact both offers were ted, Glenn

'MATCH' is first with the news again. Back in December last year we predicted that Lincoln's highly-rated midfielder Glenn Cockerill would be leaving Sincil Bank

And we were right! Just before transfer deadline day, the star took his talents to Bramall Lane where he helped Sheffield United win promotion to the Second Division

YOU can't be right all the time! While Graeme was spot on with his Everton revival prediction, he couldn't have been more wrong when it came to his own future.

Unknown to him, Italian club Sampdoria were preparing a massive bid for the former Liverpool skipper and Graeme couldn't turn down their lucrative £450,000 contract

TOTTENHAM and England star Glenn Hoddle was way off beam when he predicted European Championship failure for France.

Under the inspirational leadership of Michel Platini the host country fully justified their tag as tournament favourites and made Glenn's comments sound like sour grapes.

DON'T be fooled by the France victory over England in Paris. They are not good enough to win the European Championship. It may sound like sour grapes but, while the French probably deserved to beat us, they didn't show the qualities to justify their tag as tournament favourites. They are the sort of team to crumble when They are the sort of team and, against the kes of West Germany, they may well come



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THE GRAEME SOUNESS
COLUMN: The Liverpool ace puts
the record straight over
speculation that he is to quit the hampions and brings you

side we face following the departure of John Wark, Paul Mariner, Mick Mil Brazil. Obviously the loss of top quality pl upset the balance at Portman Road a 2m are aging 4

MICK MATTHEWS: He looks a bit like Zico and that was his nickname among the players until Andy Gray — true professional.

Right: John Burridge — dressed up as

the fans adopted the name for Geoff Palmer. Mick likes to bend the ball like the Brazilian star. and now and again it works to good

then signed him on a n basis. Gordon has don good job for me that I signed him until the son

POOR old Graham Hawkins and Wolves! The onceproud Molineux club only just made up the numbers in the First Division.

Wolves had a wretched season and Graham after receiving the almost obligatory vote of confidence - was sacked just before the end of the season.

Still, they have taken a bold step in appointing the colourful Tommy Docherty and whatever fate befalls them this season, there will never be a dull moment at Molineux

oying their summer break, ly King is fighting to get fit for start of what he describes as



CRUCIAL? The season ended up being critical for poor Andy King when he was given a free transfer by Everton.

The much-travelled midfielder had to watch glumly from the stands as his team-mates paraded round Wembley with the FA Cup. Andy has since joined Second Division Cambuur of Holland

'MATCH' readers also got in on the action and put their heads on the chopping block.

Here are excerpts from a selection of letters which have made 'Terrace Talk' the liveliest letters page in football.

Graham Hawkins wasn't the only person to confidently predict success for newly promoted Wolves at the beginning of last season. R. Summersgill of Stourbridge, West Midlands wrote: "I believe they are the club to succeed Liverpool. Wolves are destined for great success."

And Desmond Robinson of Deptford, London ended up with egg on his face when he predicted: Division One Champions - Manchester United. Relegated: Sunderland, West Brom and Norwich. FA Cup - Arsenal; Milk Cup Aston Villa. Still, nought out of six isn't

Adrian Brodkin of North London must have had a spy in the camp of the Football Association when he called for the scrapping of the dull British Championships.

He said: "Apart from the England-Scotland fixture, there is little or no interest in the

**GRAY CAN BOOST** 

MY old mate Andy Gray has joined arch-rivals Everton . . . and nanager Howard Kendall couldn't have made a better signing

I'm sure that the former £1 nillion striker will do wonders for he Goodison Park club and he gave the fans a glimpse of things to he helped inspire er Nottingh

competition. Either give the fans a break from football or bring in top Continental or South American opposition . . . like Brazil!

Just two months after his letter was published, the Scottish and English FAs pulled out of the Championship and then the FA announced a close season tour to South America! At least someone at Lancaster Gate must be reading Match!

The 'most outrageous letter of the season' award must go to

Katie Francis of Teddington, Middlesex. She called on the Liverpool board to axe new manager Joe Fagan.

Katie explained: "The Liverpool boss is so inconsistent and if he continues to be so then the Anfield giants will slump to a mid-table position by the end of the season.

But Joe brought a magnificent treble to the Merseyside club last season and the fans will be hoping for more 'inconsistency' from the Anfield boss this term.

'MATCH' columnist Graeme Souness was spot-on when he predicted an upturn in the fortunes of Everton following the arrival of his friend Andy

The former Scotland and Wolves international breezed into depressed Goodison Park like a breath of fresh air and his enthusiasm and will to win inspired his new team-mates to their best season for 14 years.



# 'I NEEDED THE SECURITY OF A

heavily tipped to wrest the title from Liverpool's grasp but never managed to mount a serious challenge.

Says Glenn: "Everyone was saying that we should win the title with the squad we had and I think that put extra pressure on us and we never lived up to people's expectations.

"But this season all the talk has been of Manchester United and Arsenal and we have slipped into the background a little, which suits us fine.

#### 'I'M SURE WE'LL BE IN WITH A SHOUT COME MAY

"We still have a strong squad — despite losing Steve Archibald and Alan Brazil — and 'new boys' Clive Allen and John Chiedoria have already proved to be greater to be gre Chiedozie have already proved to be great signings for the club.

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"If we can maintain the sort of form we showed at the start of the season, then I'm sure we'll be in with a shout come May."

Sadly Glet 1 was forced to miss the start of the campaign as he continued his fightback to fitness following the operation on his troublesome knee — a niggling injury which had been with him for nearly two years.

The 'op' proved a great success and after playing in a handful of Spurs' pre-season games, he looked set to make his return to League action on the opening day at Everton ... until he suffered another setback

"Everything seemed to be going great but I think I tried to do too much too soon and so re-opened the scar tissue on my ankle," he recalls

#### 'I FOUND OUT A LOT OF THINGS ABOUT MYSELF

"That put me back another few weeks and naturally I was very disappointed. But during those six months of frustration I feel I found out a lot of things about myself and I believe the experience will stand me in good stead.

It was as a result of the enforced lay-off that Glenn had to shelve plans of a lucrative move to the Continent and he says: "At the time, it was disappointing because it had long been my ambition to

because it had long been my ambition to play abroad.

"Several foreign clubs had shown interest in me and, but for the injury, I'm sure I would be playing overseas at the moment. But they weren't prepared to fork out a lot of money for someone who wasn't fit."

So with the new season just a few weeks away, Glenn decided to stay at White Hart Lane and he signed a four-year contract.

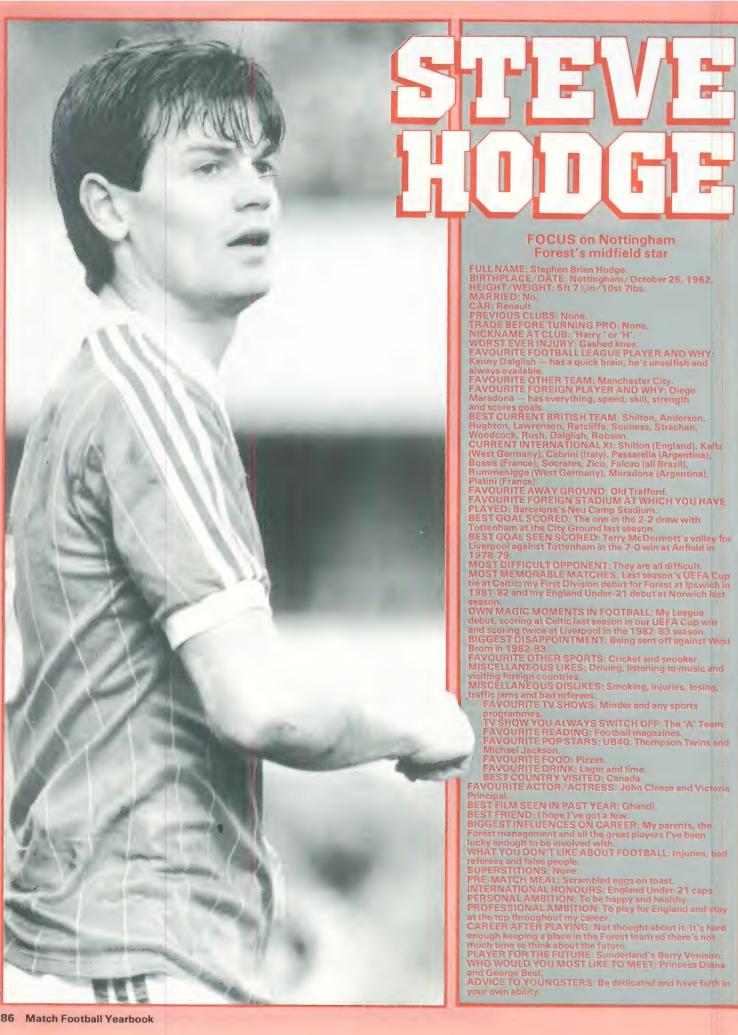
#### LONG CONTRACT

Explaining his decision to clinch a long-term deal he says: "I was 26 at the time and felt at that stage of my career I needed the security of a long contract.

"It was an important decision for me and I'm delighted with the way things worked out. I would like to think the next few years will be the most successful of my career."

Spurs new boys John Chiedozie (below) and Clive Allen — will be big hits at White Hart Lane, says Glenn.





#### FOCUS on Nottingham Forest's midfield star

FULL NAME: Stephen Brian Hodge.
BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Nottingham/October 25, 1962.
HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5ft 71/jin/10st 7lbs.
MARRIED: No.

MARRIED: NO.
CAR: Renault.
PREVIOUS CLUBS: None.
TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: None.
NICKNAME AT CLUB: 'Harry' or 'H'.
WORST EVER INJURY: Gashed knee.
FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER AND WHY:
Kenny Dalglish — has a quick brain, he's unselfish and

season.

OWN MAGIC MOMENTS IN FOOTBALL: My League debut, scoring at Celtic last season in our UEFA Cup win and scoring twice at Liverpool in the 1982-83 season.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Being sent off against West

FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Cricket and snooker.
MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Driving, listening to music and

visiting foreign countries.
MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Smoking, injuries, losing, traffic jams and bad referees.

**FAVOURITE TV SHOWS: Minder and any sports** 

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TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF: The 'A' Team. FAVOURITE READING: Football magazines. FAVOURITE POP STARS: UB40, Thompson Twins and Michael Jackson.
FAVOURITE FOOD: Pizzas. FAVOURITE FOOD: Pizzas. FAVOURITE DRINK: Lager and lime. BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Canada. FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: John Cleese and Victoria Principal

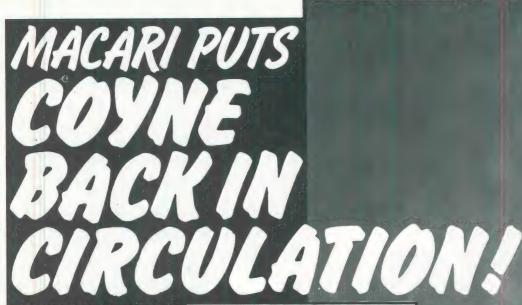
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To play for England and stay at the top throughout my career.

CAREER AFTER PLAYING: Not thought about it. It's hard enough keeping a place in the Forest team so there's not much time to think about the future.

PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Sunderland's Barry Venison.

WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET: Princess Diana and Course Reef.

and George Best.
ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: Be dedicated and have faith in your own ability



ONE-time Wembley wonder boy Peter Coyne returned to professional football this season after three years in the wilderness vowing: "I'll prove my early success was no flash in the pan."

As a 15-year-old England schoolboy international, the free-scoring striker was wanted by virtually every club in the

country.

A sparkling hat-trick in front of the TV cameras against West Germany launched a massive chase which was led and won by League giants Manchester United.

The Old Trafford club pledged to set him on the road to soccer stardom and, at the tender age of 17, Peter was given his First Division debut against Leicester.

He marked his appearance with a well-taken goal, but there, sadly, the success story ended.

Following a dispute with manager Tommy Docherty, Peter never played another game for the United first team and was soon on his way from Old Trafford.

But eight years on — after spells with Fourth Division Crewe and non-League Hyde
United — Peter is back and
ready to rebuild his career with
Lou Macari's Swindon.

Peter's lucky break came at the start of the season when Swindon's assistant manager Harry Gregg — his former boss at Crewe — persuaded Lou Macari to take a look at him. It took the 'Robins' boss less

than 90 minutes to decide to offer Peter a contract and the 25-year-old striker recalls: "I had no hesitation in accepting ... it was just the chance I had been waiting for.

"After three years away, I did begin to wonder whether I

would ever be given another chance, although I didn't give up hope. I intend to make the most of this opportunity.

"I still have every confidence in my own ability and, if I can prove myself with Swindon, I hope to be able to get back into hope to be able to get back into the First Division

Looking back on those early



Above: Peter Coyne out of the wilderness.

Right: Former Manchester United star Lou Macari who has signed Peter for Fourth Division Swindon

days and the traumatic times that followed, Peter says: "Everything started so well and sometimes I find it difficult to believe it didn't work out.

"Signing for United was a dream come true for me and I was confident I could make a name for myself there. But Tommy Docherty had different

Following his 'goalden' start against Leicester, Peter wasn't given another chance in the

first team after a disagreement with the controversial boss. Recalls Peter: "He accused me – not to my face, however – of being a disruptive influence on the other apprentices. It wasn't long after that I was on my way.

"It was a massive disappointment for me because I felt I had a future at the club. If Tommy Docherty hadn't been in charge I might still be a United player

After a few months of combining part-time football with a job, Peter became disillusioned and returned to League soccer with Harry Gregg's Crewe. His career seemed to be

taking off again and thirty goals in two seasons proved that he hadn't lost that magical touch in front of goal.

But when Harry left the club and Tony Waddington took over as manager, it signalled the beginning of the end for the unlucky striker who recalls: "We didn't see eye to eye

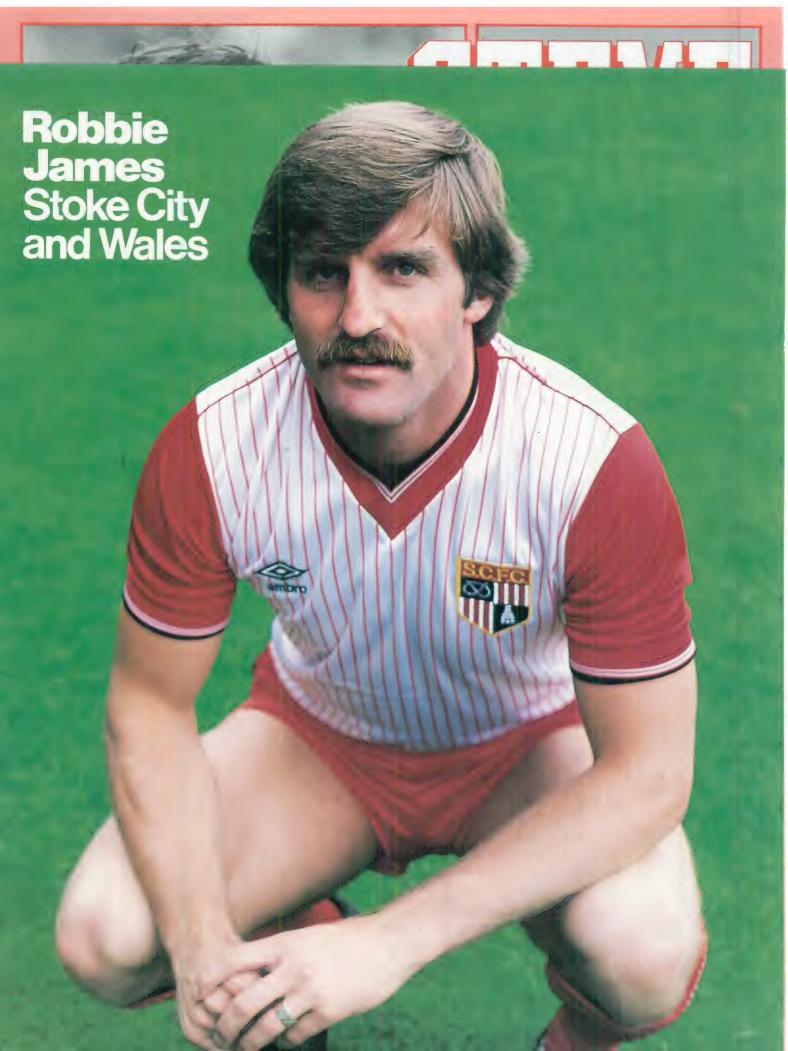
didn't see eye to eye.
"He wanted me to do things on the field I wasn't capable of and, as a result, I didn't play many games under him. When the club had a massive clearout. I was one to go.

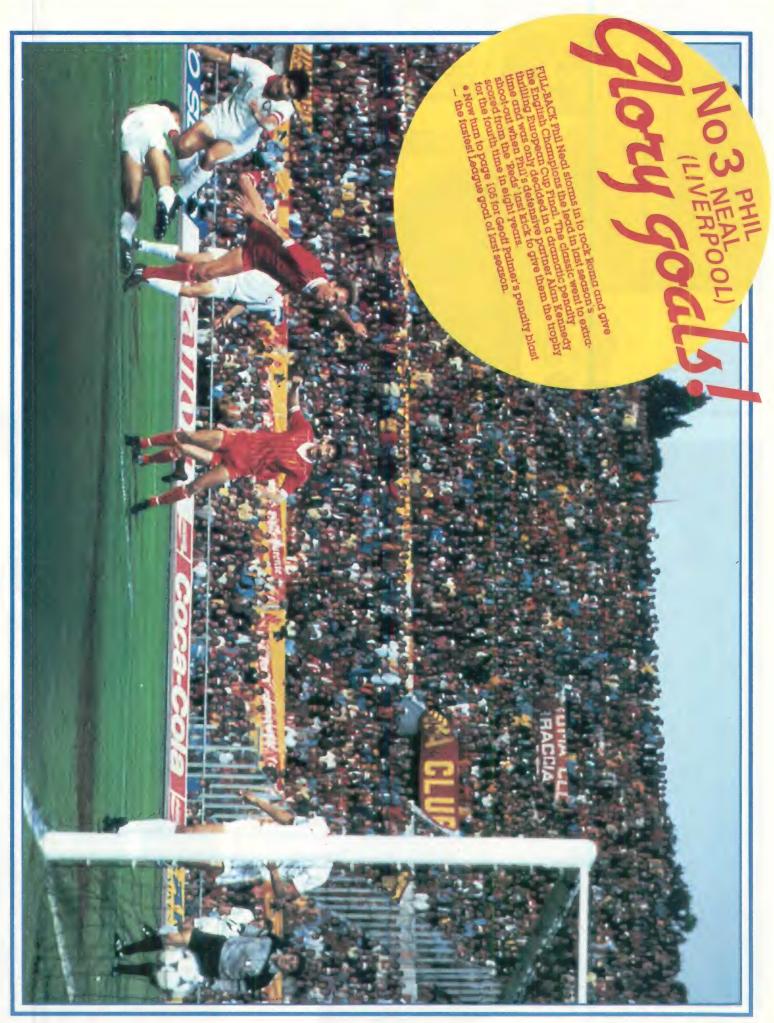
So it was back to part-time football, this time with Northern Premier League side Hyde United, and working as a sales rep for his brother's cash register firm.

But he admits: "I just couldn't get used to the nine-to-five routine and, after three years in non-League football, I was itching to get back into the professional game. There's nothing like it.

"For that reason I will always be grateful to Lou Macari and Harry Gregg for giving me another chance.

"They helped me to end a long and desperate wait and any success I enjoy from now on will be down to them."







THE Stars of the Zodiac - that's our special 'Birthday Team of the Year' — a star player for every birth sign.



#### GEMINI

Mark Lawrenson (Liverpool): Born: June 2, 1957. Position: Defender.

#### ARIES

**Trevor Francis** (Sampdoria): Born: April 19, 1954. Position: Striker.

#### **TAURUS**

Willie Miller (Aberdeen): Born: May 2, 1955. Position: Defender.

#### CAPRICORN

**Bryan Robson** (Manchester United): Born: January 1, 1957. Position: Midfield.



- Two First Division
  strikers of the same
  surname scored hattricks last season
  (1983/84). Can you name
  them and their clubs?
- Who scored
  Everton's two goals
  in the 1984 FA Cup Final
  victory over Watford?
- York City broke a Football League record by winning the Fourth Division Championship last season. What was it?

SO you think you know your football? Well now's the chance to find out just how much you really know by pitting your wits against the Match Weekly quizmaster who has set these tricky teasers.

You'll find the answers on Page 126. If you

need them!

Ray Wilkins become
the fifth modern-day
British player to try his
luck in Italy when he
joined AC Milan from
Manchester United in
May, 1984 Who were the
previous four and which
clubs did they JOIN?

- 5 Can you name the First Division defender pictured right? He made a big impression during the 1983/84 season
- Who was the leading scorer in the Fourth Division last season and how many League goals did he score?
- 7 Which player scored a hat-trick in the 1984 Scottish League Cup Final and can you name his former club?
- Roma and Odense were just two of the clubs Liverpool beat on the way to becoming European Champions of 1984. Can you name the three other teams they defeated en route to the Final?
- 9 Five First Division managers were given the push during the 1983/84 season. Graham Hawkins of relegated Wolves was one, but who were the other four and can you name their successors?
- 10 Which Scottish player scored the winning goal in the Final of a major cup competition and then left his club to join a team on the Continent? Who were the two clubs involved?
- 11 League Champions Liverpool were beaten twice at Antield on their way to collecting a record 15th title last season. Do you know the two struggling clubs concerned?
- 12 Former FA Cup holders Manchester United were knocked out



Name this First Division defender and you've got the answer to Question 5.

of both domestic cup competitions by which two Third Division sides last term?

- 13 Who was the leading scorer in the Scottish Fremier Division last season? Also, name his club and the side from which he joined them at the start of that campaign.
- 14 Tottenham and Liverpool both won their European trophies (the UEFA and European Cups) following penalty shoot-outs last season. But do you know the two players one from each team who missed spotkicks?



Name this First Division player and you are half way towards answering Question 1.



Name this player and you're half way there on Question 14.

15 Can you name the Watford player who scored in the FA Cup Semi-Final at Villa Park to end the brave fight of Third Division Plymouth?

Southampton were the only side to score eight goals in a League game last season. Can you name the two 'Soints' strikers who scored hat-tricks in the 8-2 drubbing of Coventry?

7 Which striker left a club which was subsequently relegated last season and then went on to pick up a cup winners' medal?

South-coast Brighton became much travelled striker Frank Worthington's eighth Football League club. Can you name his previous seven?

Four Yorkshire clubs gained promotion from their respective divisions last season. Can you name them?

Name the two clubs promoted from the Scottish Second Division last season.



This player will help you to answer Question

**NOW TURN TO** PAGE 126 TO SEE HOW WELL YOU CORED

This player will help you solve the answer to Question 6.







been of the First Division's 'big three' - Bailey, Woods and

"But I've got a feeling that the young QPR man may well force himself into the reckoning to become Peter Shilton's understudy.

"He first caught my eye in the 1982 FA Cup Final when he kept Rangers in the game against my club Spurs with a string of fabulous saves.

"He looked a very competent keeper and I expected to hear a lot more of him over the next

year or so. "Surprisingly, that was never the case but, since QPR's return to the First Division, he has once again been in the news and caused people to sit up and take notice.

"Eighteen months ago I wouldn't have mentioned him in the same breath as Bailey, Woods or Spink, but now he fully deserves to be classed alongside them.

"Providing he can continue to progress, he can mount a serious challenge for the number two spot."

Following Ray's departure from the national scene, his

immediate successor was Norwich's promising 'keeper Chris Woods.

The Spurs man goes along with the cliche possession is nine tenths of the law and adds: "It's now up to the others to displace him.

to displace him.

"He had a marvellous season last year and together with Norwich skipper Dave Watson, was the cornerstone of the side.

"He has all the qualities of a top 'keeper in that he is strong, brave, dependable and possesses superb reflexes. He's also had the advantage of playing under 'Shilts' for two years at Forest.

years at Forest.
"Another thing in his favour was that, at the time I announced my retirement from the international arena, he was enjoying one of his best spells of the season.

The timing of Ray's announcement wasn't too good for another of the contenders -Manchester United's Gary Bailey, who was having a torrid time.

Ray recalls: "He was making silly, little errors and I think he will be the first to admit he wasn't playing consistently — an essential quality of an international keeper. "But one thing he does have

in his favour over most of his rivals is experience in Europe. "Of the other contenders, only

Aston Villa's Nigel Spink has European experience. In fact his second senior appearance for Villa was in the European Cup Final

"In that 1982 Final against Bayern Munich - when he replaced Jimmy Rimmer after just five minutes - he showed what an excellent temperament he has."

But before the young pretenders' start thinking about international caps, Ray has a piece of advice for them ... be patient.

He adds: "It could be some time before either of them get the chance because I expect Peter Shilton to be ground for a while yet.

"Knowing Peter's supreme fitness and enthusiasm, he could go on playing at the highest level for another two years...maybe even longer."
In fact it was the

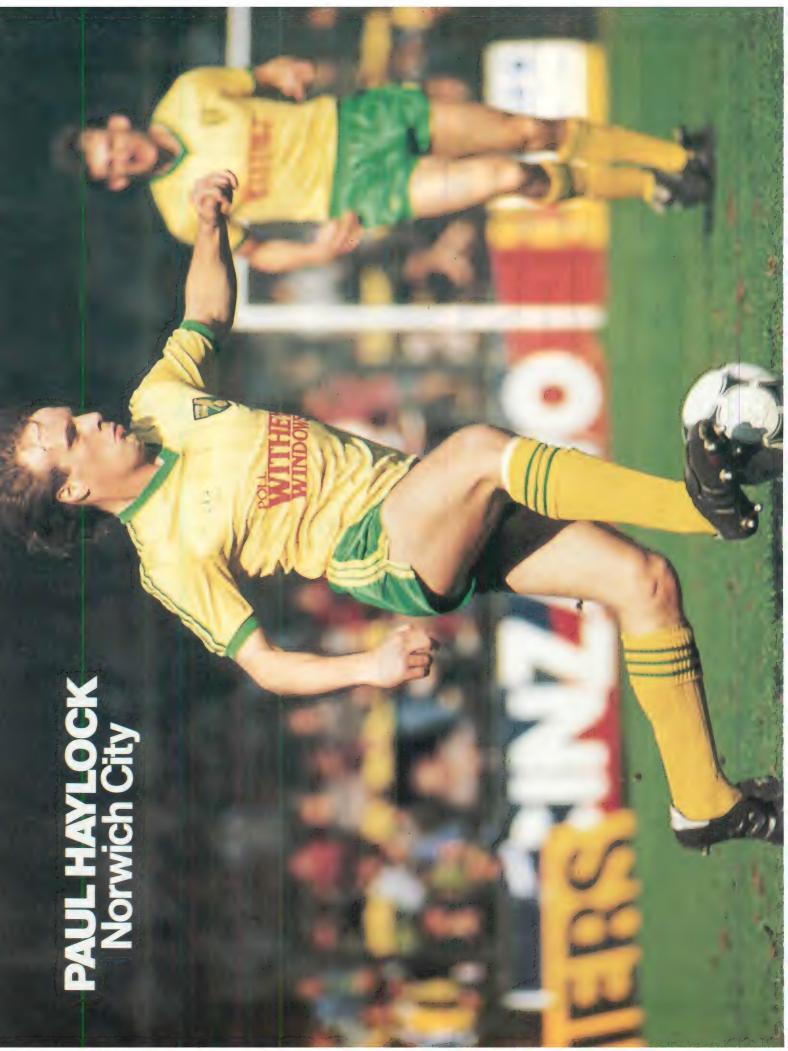
Southampton 'keeper's evergrowing dominance of the England number one spot

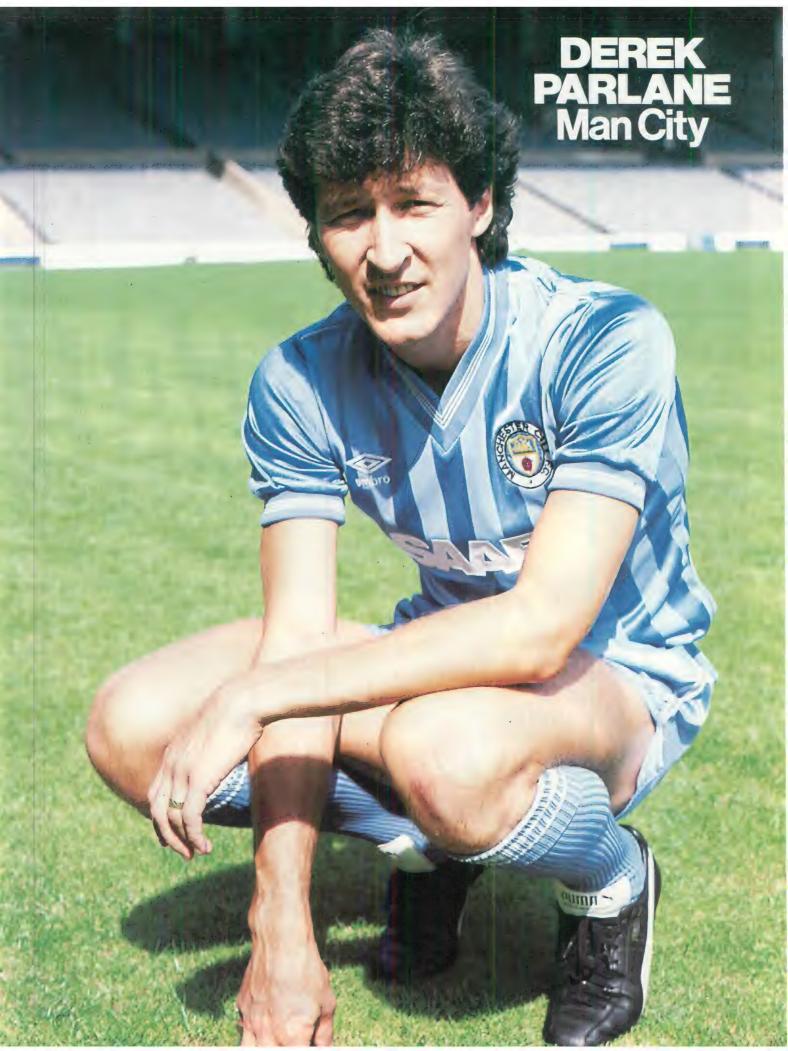
which was one of Ray's reasons for quitting the national squad. He says: "I had to take a back seat as Peter made the position his own and I began to get disillusioned

"That wasn't my sole reason for quitting, however," he adds.
"I felt it was a good time to bow
out and give our young, up-andcoming keepers a chance to
travel with the squad and work under Peter.'

Ray Clemence — retired from the international scene last year.







**BUBBLY striker Ally** McCoist - the man whose goals brought an unexpected trophy back to Ibrox last season - set his sights firmly on winning more honours with Rangers this term.

Ally, who scored a hattrick in the club's dramatic League Cup Final win over arch city rivals Celtic, says: "The fans demand more success and it's up to the players to deliver the goods.

"This season is very important to the club. We've got to continue in a winning

Before the arrival of Scotland's own version of the 'mean-machine' uncompromising manager Jock Wallace — a battle against relegation was all the Rangers fans seemed to have to look forward to.

By November, the once-proud club had sunk to sixth in the ten-team Premier Division and manager John Greig finally bowed to intense public pressure and

return from exile of former Ibrox boss Jock and 'The Gers' fortunes immediately

took an upward swing.
And while results in the League picked up, Rangers stole almost un-noticed into the League Cup Final . . . and took part in one of the most breath-taking games ever played at Hampden Park.

The match was full of drama and excitement and no-one was more involved than 23-year-old Ally, who:
• Scored a hat-trick.

Missed a penalty.

 Gave away a penalty in the last minute.

 Was booked for fighting. He remembers: "It was an incredible game and one I'll never forget

The drama began to

unfold just before half-time when the referee awarded the 'Light Blues' a penalty. Ally takes up the story: "Robert Prytz was injured and Davie Cooper is usually our

penalty man in his absence. "But I felt so confident that I asked him if I could take it and I put the ball past keeper Pat Bonner

"I was surprised Davie let me have a go because he must have fancied his chances - especially as he'd scored on the ground a couple of weeks before for Scotland against Wales." Ally looked to have

May looked to have
wrapped up the game when,
17 minutes later, he put his
side two goals up. Even a
Brian McClair goal — a consolation, or so it seemed

 couldn't stop the Rangers fans celebrating.

But then, in the last minute, Ally stuck out his leg in the

Ally stuck out his leg in the penalty area and over went Celtic midfielder Murdo MacLeod. To Ally's horror, the referee pointed to the spot. Says Ally: "I couldn't believe it. We had been so close to victory and then it looked as though I had blown it." blown it.

Full-back Mark Reid coolly slotted the ball past Peter McCloy and — as in the Milk Cup Final being played on the same afternoon at Wembley – the game went into extra-time.

The drama didn't finish there because Rangers got revenge when they were awarded a penalty in the



104th minute. Says Ally: "Jimmy Nicholl looked to be going nowhere fast when Roy Aitken tripped him up in the box

"There was no question that I would take it and I felt very good as I ran in, but Pat Bonner pulled off a magnificent save."

But Ally's super-cool reactions saved the day for Rangers as he lashed home the rebound for an unusual hat-trick

And he says: "After the game, I was in a complete daze. I had experienced so many different emotions that I just couldn't take the whole occasion in. It took me three or four days before

everything really sank in." The Cup Final was the highspot of Ally's first season back in Scotland following his £200,000 move from Sunderland, but he is honest enough to admit: "I could have done much better.

"I was happy to finish with a winner's medal and as my club's top scorer in the League, but many of my performances were inconsistent

"It's something that has affected the whole team and we've got to stamp that out if we are to challenge for the title this season."

Flashback to Hampden Park last season and hat-trick hero Ally McCoist proudly holds aloft the Scottish



# August

 Manchester United win the FA Charity Shield against Liverpool with both goals in the 2-0 victory coming from skipper

Bryan Robson.

Sheffield United's Keith Edwards scores four goals on the opening day of the season against Gillingham, and Trevor Christie gets a hat-trick for Notts County at Leicester.

 England's European Championship hopes tade with a 1-0 home detect by Denmark, former Charlton player Allan Simonsen scoring the crucial penalty.

• Wales are held to a goalless draw in

Norway, Eire win 3-0 in Iceland and Northern Ireland keep their hopes alive with a 3-1 defeat of Austria.

 Scotland, already eliminated, defeat Uruguay 2-0 in a friendly at Hampden Park.

Bolton's Tony Caldwell and Blackburn's Simon Garner score five goals each on the same day against Walsall and Derby respectively

 St Mirren are the only club from England and Scotland to fall at the first hurdle in Europe, losing to Feyenoord in the UEFA

Rangers put 18 past Maltese side Valletta over two legs in the Cup Winners' Cup, and Tottenham collect 14 against Irish part-timers Drogheda in the UEFA Cup.

 The best performance came from Watford Down 3-1 to Kaiserslautern after the First Leg, they win the return 3-0, also in the UEFA Cup. Peter Withe bags a hat-trick for Aston Villa as they crush Guimaraes from Portugal 5-0, but Manchester United scramble through on away goals against Dukla in Czechoslovakia

 England win 3-0 in Hungary, but Greece stay on top of the European Championship Group by slamming Luxembourg 6-0; Northern Ireland's hopes are dashed by a surprise 1-0 defeat in Turkey and Eire go out after going down 3-2 at home to Holland after leading 2-0 at half-time; Scotland hold Group winners Belgium to a 1-1 draw at Hampden

•Wales crush Rumania 5-0 in a friendly with

Ian Rush scoring twice.

 Arsenal's Tony Woodcock and Liverpool's Ian Rush score five times each in First Division victories over Aston Villa and Luton respectively.

 Liverpool and Dundee United are held to goalless draws by Athletic Bilbao and Standard Liege in the First Legs of the European Cup

In the Cup Winners' Cup, Manchester United win in Bulgaria; holders Aberdeen are held in Belgium by Beveren and Rangers defeat FC Porto 2-1.

 Nottingham Forest win in Eindhoven in the UEFA Cup and Tottenham slam Feyenoord 4-2 with Tony Galvin and Steve Archibald sharing the goals. Watford are held to a 1-1 home draw by Levski Spartak, Aston Villa draw in Moscow but Celtic go down in Portugal to Sporting Lisbon.

 In the Second Round of the Milk Cup, First Division sides Luton, Nottingham Forest and Wolves lose to Third Division teams Rotherham, Wimbledon and Preston respectively; West Ham put ten past Bury, with Tony Cottee getting four of them, and QPR crush Crewe 8-1; struggling Chester win at Leeds but lose the return 4-1.

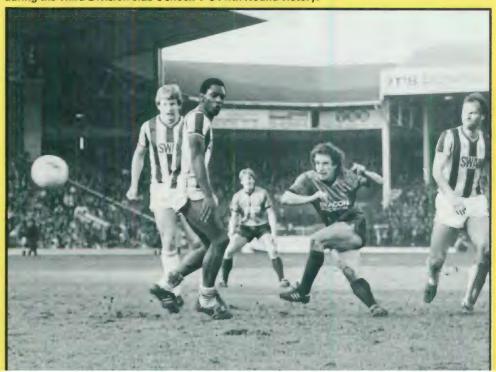


Manchester United stars Frank Stapleton (left) and two-goal skipper Bryan Robson show off the Charity Shield to the crowd after the 2-0 defeat of Liverpool at Wembley.

# WINNERS ? LOSERS

HERE'S a chance to revive memories of some of last season's winners and losers in this month-by-month review of the international, European and domestic scene.

FA Cup giant-killers Plymouth on the march at West Brom with Gordon Staniforth letting fly during the Third Division club's shock 1-0 Fifth Round victory.



### November

European Cup at Athletic Bilbao, while Dundee United slam Standard Liege 4-0,

Ralph Milne scoring twice.

Gordon Strachan scores twice as Aberdeen beat Beveren 4-1 in the Cup Winners' Cup; Frank Stapleton gets both goals for Manchester United in their 2-0 win over Spartak Varna, but Rangers lose

on away goals against Porto.

In the UEFA Cup, Aston Villa go out at home to Spartak Moscow, but there are wins for Watford in Bulgaria, Nottingham Forest at home to Eindhoven, Tottenham in

Feyenoord and Celtic over Sporting Lisbon.

• England win 4-0 in Luxembourg but to no avail as Denmark win 2-0 in Greece a few hours earlier to clinch a place in the European Championship Finals; Scotland lose 1-2 in East Germany to finish bottom of

their Group, and Wales go down in Bulgaria
where a win would have put them through.

Northern Ireland cause one of the biggest
shocks by completing the double over West
Germany with Norman Whiteside getting
the winner. It put the Irish top of the Group but a few days later the Germans grabbed their Finals ticket on goal difference by beating Albania with a late goal. Over the Irish border, Eire slam Malta 8-0 with Mark Lawrenson and Liam Brady sharing four of the goals.

• Aberdeen get a grip on the European Super Cup by drawing 0-0 in Hamburg in the

First Leg.

• More shocks in the Milk Cup with Third Division Walsall winning 2-1 at Arsenal in the Fourth Round after being 1-0 down at

### Decembel

 Aberdeen win the European Super Cup with α 2-0 home defeat of Hamburg, Mark McGhee and Neil Simpson scoring the

goals.

Northern Ireland beat Scotland 2-0 in the opening British Championship clash Norman Whiteside and Sammy McIlroy

getting the goals.

# WINTERS



New England star John Barnes clinches Watford's place in the FA Cup Semi-Finals with his second goal at Birmingham in the 3-1 win.

 Wales are held at home by Yugoslavia and go out of the European Championships a week later when Yugoslavia beat Bulgaria in the last minute.

 Third Division Oxford cause a Milk Cup upset by beating Manchester United 2-1 in extra-time following two 1-1 draws. Steve Biggins gets the winner at the Manor Ground

 Nottingham Forest and Tottenham carry Britain's banner into the Quarter-Finals of the UEFA Cup. Forest win 2-1 at Celtic before a 67,000 crowd while Tottenham put out Bayern Munich 2-1 on aggregate thanks to Mark Falco's late winner, but Watford's dreams end with a 4-0 defeat in Czechoslovakia by Sparta Prague.

## January

 Struggling Third Division side Bournemouth cause a major FA Cup shock by knocking out the holders, Manchester United, in the Third Round with goals from Milton Graham and Ian Thompson

 Arsenal and QPR go out at Middlesbrough and Huddersfield respectively; Leeds lose at Scunthorpe in a Second Round replay and Manchester City are knocked out at Fourth Division Blackpool.

Fourth Division Blackpool.

There's another sensation in the FA Cup
Fourth Round with Brighton defeating
favourites Liverpool for the second
successive year, Gerry Ryan and Terry
Connor getting the goals in a two-minute
spell in the second half.

Liverpool reach the Semi-Finals of the
Milk Cup once again, beating Sheffield
Wednesday 3-0 in a replay, and Walsall win
at Rotherham to reach this stage for the first
time.

# February

 Rangers reach the Scottish League Cup Final with a 3-1 aggregate victory over Dundee United, while holders Celtic draw

their First Leg at Aberdeen.

Tiny Walsall cause a surprise by drawing 2-2 at Liverpool in the First Leg of the Milk Cup Semi-Finals, but the First Division

Cup Semi-Finals, but the First Division giants win the return 2-0.

Everton make it an all-Merseyside Final despite losing to a Paul Rideout goal at Aston Villa in the Second Leg. First leg goals from Kevin Sheedy and Kevin Richardson see them through.

Third Division Plymouth spring an FA Cup shock with a 1-0 win at West Brom in the Fifth Round thanks to a Tommy Tynan goal, and struggling Derby put out fancied

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Scotland defeat Wales 2-1 in the British Championship with substitute Maurice Johnston scoring the winner on his debut.





# ? LOSERS

 Portsmouth's Tony Hateley scores four goals as the England Under-21s slam France 6-1 in the opening leg of their UEFA Championship Quarter-Final tie. Two goals from Michel Platini give France

a 2-0 friendly victory over England.

 It's a successful time for British clubs in Europe with all six representatives moving through to the Semi-Finals, Manchester United producing the most impressive result by defeating Barcelona 3-2 in the Cup Winners' Cup with Bryan Robson scoring twice in the 3-0 home triumph.

 Mark McGhee scores a hat-trick for Aberdeen as they come from behind to defeat Ujpest Dosza, and both Nottingham Forest and Tottenham put out Austrian opposition to reach the UEFA Cup Semi-Finals. A Colin Walsh penalty in extra-time sees Forest through against Sturm Graz, while Spurs brush aside Austria Vienna 4-2.

European Cup hopefuls Liverpool slam
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Benfica 5-1 on aggregate, including a resounding 41 Second Leg triumph in Portugal with Ronnie Whelan scoring twice, and Dundee United go through against Rapid Vienna on away goals following Davie Dodds' winner at

Tannadice.

Plymouth reach the FA Cup Semi-Finals for the first time with an Andy Rogers goal direct from a corner in a replay at Derby; Andy Gray heads Everton's winner at Notts

Young Tottenham 'keeper Tony Parks celebrates the club's UEFA Cup success over Anderlecht achieved by his two brilliant penalty saves in a dramatic shoot-

County; John Barnes scores twice as Wattord win at Birmingham and Southampton crush Sheffield Wednesday 5-1 after a goalless draw.

• In Scotland, Dundee upset the odds with a 3-2 replay victory at Rangers in the Fifth Round, Iain Ferguson getting two of the

goals.

• Mark Hateley scores the only goal from the penalty spot as England Under-21s crush France 7-1 on aggregate to reach the UEFA Semi-Finals.

Liverpool win the League/Milk Cup for a fourth successive time with skipper Graeme Souness scoring the winner in a replay at Maine Road following a goalless draw at Wembley.

Rangers take possession of the Scottish League Cup from Celtic with a 3-2 extra-time victory, all three goals coming from Ally McCoist, two of them penalties

• Tony Woodcock scores the only goal as England beat Northern Ireland in the last British Championship fixture at Wembley.

The Republic of Ireland slump to a 0-3 friendly defect in Turkey.

Everton reach their second Wembley Final with Adrian Heath scoring the FA Cup Semi-Final winner against Southampton in extra-time. A George Reilly header after 12 minutes takes Watford through to the Final for the first time at the expense of battling

Plymouth.

• It's an Aberdeen v Celtic Final in

Scotland. Aberdeen defeat Dundee 2-0 in

Scotland. Aberdeen defeat Dundee 2-0 in the Semi-Finals while Paul McStay hits a late winner for Celtic against St Mirren.
• England Under-21s take a step closer

their second successive UEFA Final appearance with a 3-1 defeat of Italy in the Semi-Final First Leg.

Liverpool and Tottenham reach European

Finals as hopes of all-British Finals in all

three competitions are dashed.

● Ian Rush scores twice as Liverpool win 2-1 in Rumania against Dynamo Bucharest to go through to the European Cup Final against AS Roma, who came back from 0-2 down to slam Dundee United 3-0 in the

down to stam Dundee United 3-0 in the Second Leg.

• An early Mike Hazard goal is enough for Tottenham to overcome Hadjuk Split on the away goals rule in the UEFA Cup following a 2-1 defeat in Yugoslavia, but Nottingham Forest lose 0-3 in Belgium after beating Anderlecht 2-0 at home with two late goals from Stave Hodge from Steve Hodge.

There's no joy in the Cup Winners' Cup. Holders Aberdeen are beaten 2-0 on aggregate by FC Porto, and Manchester United bow out to a last minute Paolo Rossi goal in Juventus.

 Liverpool win the European Cup for the fourth time after a dramatic penalty shoot-out against AS Roma in Italy. Phil Neal scores the Liverpool goal in the 1-1 draw after extra-time

Young goalkeeper Tony Parks is the Tottenham hero with two penalty saves in a winning shoot-out against Anderlecht in the

UEFA Cup Final. Both legs end in 1-1 draws with Graham Roberts scoring the late
Tottenham equaliser in the Second Leg at White Hart Lane.

Manchester United's Mark Hughes scores

the winner against England on his debut for

Wales.

England retain the UEFA Under-21
Championship with a 3-0 aggregate victory

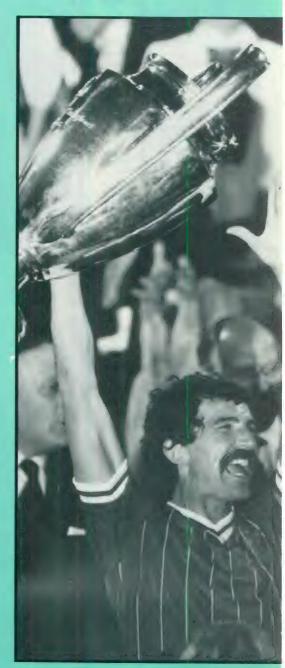
Everton win the FA Cup for the first time since 1966, beating Watford 2-0 with goals from Andy Gray and Graeme Sharp. Aberdeen complete a hat-trick of Scottish

Cup victories thanks to Mark McGhee's extra-time winner against Celtic

• The British Championship ends in a fourway tie with Northern Ireland taking it on goal difference. Mark Hughes scores again as Wales draw with Northern Ireland 1-1 and England achieve the same result in Scotland with a Tony Woodcock reply to
Mark McGhee's early header.

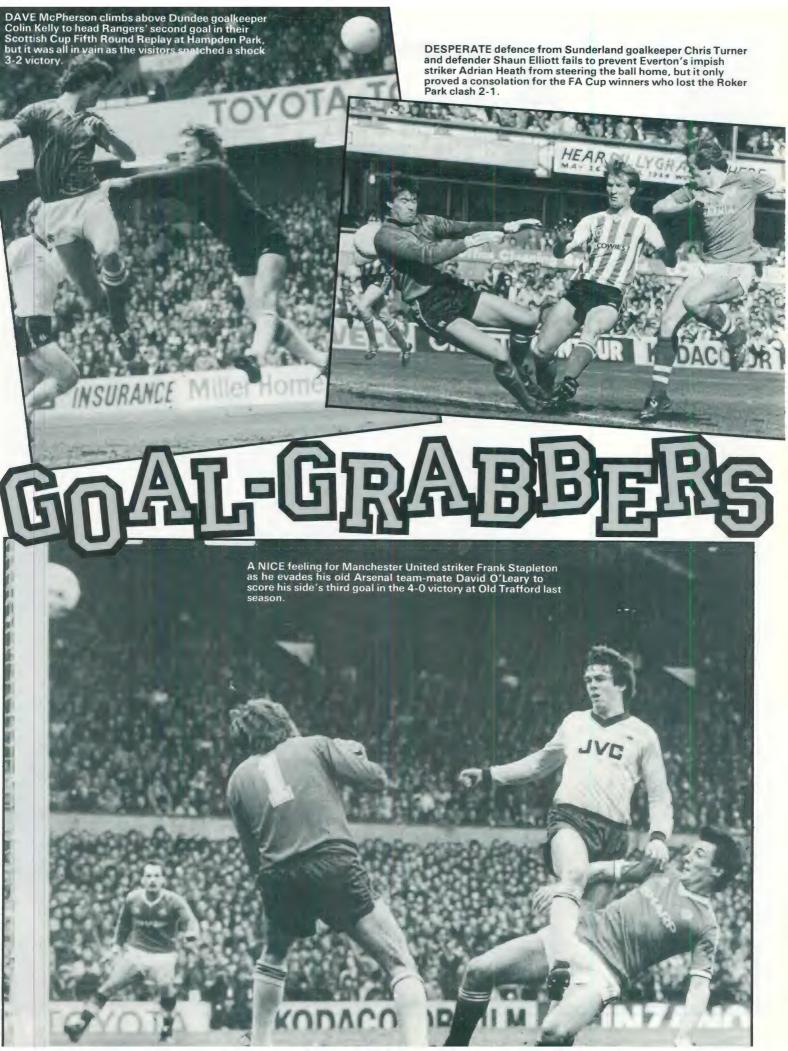
There's an early World Cup blow for
Northern Ireland when they are beaten 1-0

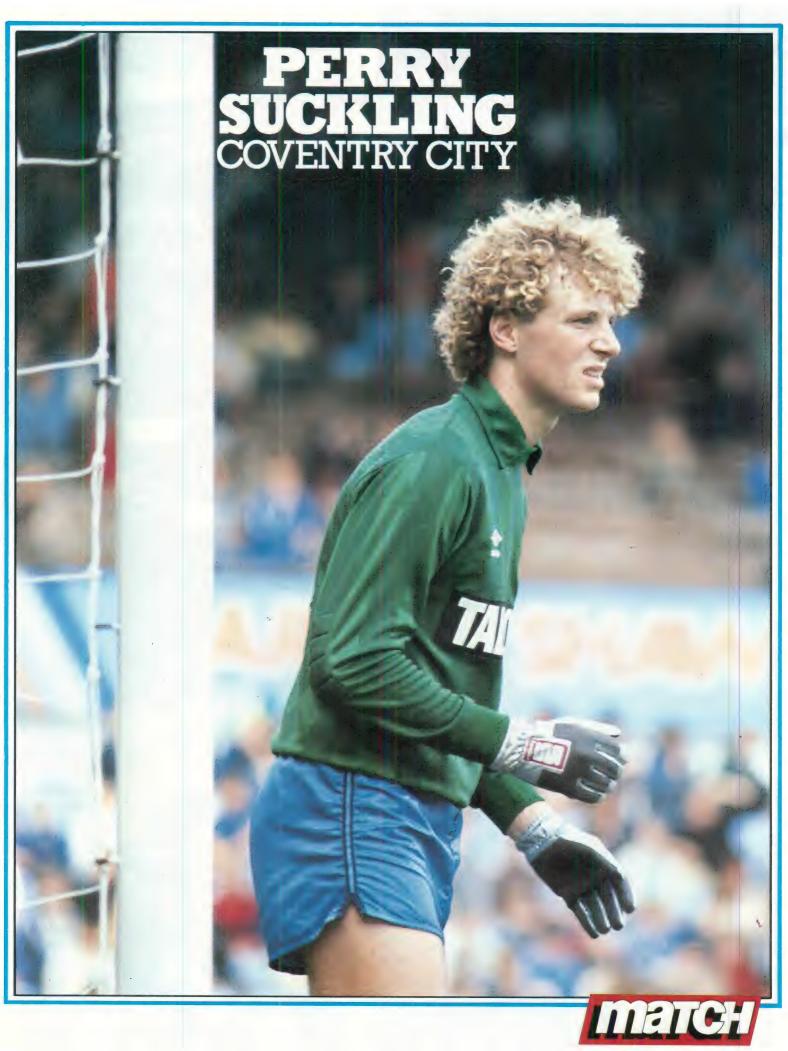
by unfancied Finland.



Graeme Souness hoists the European Cup after Liverpool's dramatic victory over AS Roma









- LAST season's biggest League wins all came within the first third of the compaign. Brighton hammered Charlton 7-0 in Division Two on October 1, Bolton battered Walsall 8-1 in Division Three on September 10 and Burnley routed Port Vale 7-0 on November 26.
- FORMER Manchester City defender Alan FORMER Manchester City derender Alan Oakes was the oldest player to make an appearance in the Football League last season. He turned out for Port Vale at the ripe old age of 42. He was closely followed by Terry Cooper (Bristol City) 40, Ron Harris (Brentford) 40, Alan Ball (Portsmouth) 39, Pat Jennings (Arsenal) 39, and Bryan 'Pop' Robson (Sunderland) 39.
- THE highest number of goals scored in the Canon League on any one day last season was a modest 137 on October 1 -and that figure included 52 from the Second Division alone. Quite a contrast to the 1930's when 209 goals were scored on two occasions
- BOLTON'S Tony Caldwell created a club record last season when he scored five goals in the 8-1 win over Walsall. It was the first time in the Wanderers' 95-year history that a player had scored more than four goals in any one League match.
- STANLEY Matthews was the oldest player ever to play for England. He was 42 when he last pulled on an international shirt. Leslie Compton and Tom Finney were 38 and 37 respectively while, more recently, Jack Charlton, Ian Callaghan and Dave Watson were 35 when they last played for England
- ALLIANCE Premier side Yeovil Town have knocked out of the FA Cup competition more Football League teams than any other semi-professional club in history. They have performed a giant-killing act on 12 occasions with their nearest non-League rivals being Altrincham, who have claimed nine victims.
- LIVERPOOL haven't lost on Sunderland's Roker Park ground in a League match since August 30, 1958, when they were

defeated 2-1 Since that time, the Merseyside club has played 15 games there — winning seven and drawing eight.

- THE number of former West Ham players who have gone on to manage League clubs now totals 24. They are: Archie MacAuley, Ted and Benny Fenton, Len Goulden, Malcolm Allison, Frank O'Farrell, Jimmy Andrew, John Bond, Ken Brown, Noel Cantwell, George Petchey, Dave Sexton, Andy Nelson, Malcolm Musgrove, Geoff Hurst, John Lyall, Martin Peters, Ron Tindall, Jimmy Bloomfield, Trever Hardley Tindall, Jimmy Bloomfield, Trevor Hartley, Bobby Gould, Jack Burkett, Harry Redknapp and Bobby Moore.
- LEEDS youngsters Dennis Irwin, Tommy Wright, Scott Sellars and Mark Gavin weren't even born when their experienced team-mate Peter Lorimer began his League career little more than 22 years
- DURING the 1919/20 season, Coventry City went exactly three months without scoring a single goal in Division Two. The two goals they managed against Stoke on Christmas Day 1919, ended the drought which spanned 11 games — but even then they lost 3-2.
- ON October 20, 1928 Leicester striker Arthur Chandler had scored five goals in a Division One match against Portsmouth when five swans flew over Filbert Street. Shortly afterwards, a sixth swan crossed the ground and Chandler promptly added his sixth goal. Leicester went on to win 10-0 their record score
- OXFORD United were the first club from the Fourth Division to reach the Sixth Round of the FA Cup. They beat Division One leaders Blackburn 3-1 in the Fifth Round at Manor Road but lost 2-1 to Preston in the next round on February 29, 1964, when a new ground record of 22,730 was established.



Malcolm Allison — one of 24 former West Ham players who have gone on to manage Football League clubs.

- ROTHERHAM finished level on points with both Champions Birmingham and runners-up Luton in Division Two in the 1954/55 season, but missed out on promotion on goal average — despite the fact that they scored more goals and won more matches than the promoted pair.
- FORMER Manchester United striker Jimmy Greenhoff was transferred in the middle of a Cup Final. He played for Leeds in the First Leg of the Fairs Cup Final against Ferencyaros in August 1968, but, before the Sacond Leg he had been before the Second Leg, he had been transferred to Birmingham



# When the Saints go marching in



SOUTHAMPTON skipper Steve Williams has set the 'Saints' sights firmly on the League Championship this season.

The talented midfielder insists: "Anything less

and we'll be considered failures.

The small Hampshire club finished runners-up to the mighty Liverpool machine last season and Steve says: "You must always strive to improve and, if we don't do better than last season, we've failed."

The England star believes that Southampton can take the Canon League title for the first time in their history, although he admits: "We'll never be able to compete on an equal footing with the likes of Liverpool and Manchester United.

"The big clubs live on gates of 30,000 or 40,000 every week while we've got to survive on much less

than that.

"It means we can't afford to have such a large squad. Where Liverpool have about 20 quality professionals at Anfield, we can only afford about

"And that's an advantage when you hit injuries. Last season when Kenny Dalglish was out for a while, the 'Reds' could fall back on the likes of Craig Johnston, Michael Robinson or David Hodgson — all class players.

"As a result, performances don't suffer and the team runs much the same as

"That wasn't the case when I was injured towards the end of last season. We went through a rough spell and dropped valuable points because we

didn't have a proper replacement."

Despite the problems faced by Lawrie
McMenemy's men, Steve says: "We'll never write ourselves off. If we did that, there wouldn't be any point playing.
"Southampton have to run a very tight

ship and because everything is so well organised — from the boardroom downwards — we do at least have a chance of beating the big boys.

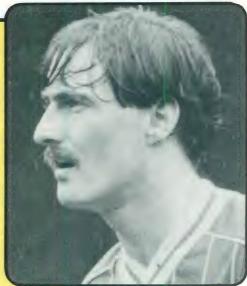
Steve expects this season's Championship battle to be much the same as the last, with Liverpool and Manchester United being favourites to

lift the prestigious prize.

But the absence from the Antield lineup of former skipper Graeme Souness will have given heart to many teams in the First Division. The inspirational midfielder joined Sampdoria of Italy in the close season.

Says Steve: "There are only three or four players of his quality in the world. You can never replace the likes of him.

Left: Steve Williams - sights on the Championship for Southampton.



David Hodgson — typifies Liverpool's strength in reserve. "Southamps compete with that," says Steve. 'Southampton can't

"Graeme was one of my favourite players. He was an out-and-out winner who leads by example.

"He is composed, positive and a tremendous passer of the ball. As well as that, he isn't scared to get stuck in. If you go into a tackle with Graeme, you come out knowing about it.

The 'Saints' surprised everyone last season by pipping Manchester United and Brian Clough's Nottingham Forest to second place in the First Division but. despite that, it was a sad end to the campaign for Steve.

Shortly after making his full England debut against France, the Londoner had to undergo a cartilage operation and he admits: "Injuries are terrible things at the best of times but this one couldn't the best of times but this one couldn't have come at a worse time.

The 25-year-old spent the close season recovering his fitness in a bid to lead Southampton's title challenge and re-establish himself in the England side. He says: "It was a tremendous honour

to win my first cap. To me, playing for England is the be all and end all."

Although England lost 2-0 in the Parc des Princes, Paris, Steve impressed many observers — despite playing out of position on the left side of midfield

He says: "I was fairly pleased with my performance although I'm my own biggest critic. Fairly pleased isn't good enough for me. I want to play my best every game.

The youngster has come a long way since his early hot-headed days when his temper always seemed to let him down and he earned a reputation for being a firebrand.

That's now in the distant past and the turning point was over two years ago when he was surprisingly handed the captaincy of Southampton following the retirement of England World Cup star Alan Ball.

Admits Steve: "It came as a shock, especially as there were plenty of players in the side with much more experience than me. The likes of Chris Nicholl, Nick Holmes and Peter Shilton all looked to have a better chance.

They had been around longer and deserved the job more than me, but the gaffer was looking to the future and wanted to make a long-term

appointment.

I'm a proud man and being appointed captain was a tremendous honour.'

**England leads** the way in Europe

FRANCE may rejoice in their crowning as European Champions, but England remain the Kings of Europe at club tootball

The triumphs of Liverpool and Tottenham last season in the European and UEFA Cups lifted England's all-time Continental trophy haul to 21, six more than Spain and 11 more than either Italy or West

It's a remarkable record for a country that struggles to make an impact on the world

#### **CLUB TABLE**

All three competitions

		Beaten
	Wins	Finals
Real Madrid (Spain)	6	5
Liverpool (England)	6	1
Barcelona (Spain)	5	3
AC Milan (Italy)	4	2
Bayern Munich (W.G.)	4	3 2 1
Anderlecht (Belgium)	3	3
Tottenham (England)	3	3
Valencia (Spain)	3	1
Ajax (Holland)	3	1
Juventus (Italy)	2	1 4
Benfica (Portugal)	2	À
Leeds (England)	2	3
Borrusia M'bach (W.G.)	2	3
Hamburg (W.G.)	2	3
Inter Milan (Italy)	2	2
Nott'm F. (England)	5	ō
Feyenoord (Holland)	2	ñ
Rangers (Scotland)	3 3 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 1	ž
Ferenczvaros (Hugary)	1	2
Atletico Madrid (Spain)	1	2
Fiorentina (Italy)	1	4 3 3 2 0 0 2 2 2 2 1
Celtic (Scotland)	1	1
Eintracht F'furt (W.G.)	1	i
AS Roma (Italy)	1	.1
Arsenal (England)	1	1
Zaragoza (Spain)	1	1
Dynamo Zagreb (Yugo)	1	1
West Ham (England)	1	1
Man. United (England)	1	0
Sporting Lisbon (P'gal)	1	0
B'ssi (Dortmund (W.G.)	1	0
Slovan Brat'va (Czech)	1	0
Man. City (England)	1	0
Chelsea (England)	1	0
Magdeburg (E.G.)	1	0
Dynamo Kiev (USSR)	1	0
Dynamo Tbilisi (USSR)	1	0
Aberdeen (Scotland)	1	0
Newcastle (England)	1	0
Eindhoven (Holland)	1	0
Ipswich (England)	1	0
Gothenburg (Sweden)	1	0
Aston Villa (England)	1	0

international stage yet has club teams consistently whipping the cream of Europe.

The comparison with France offers a strange anomaly. Whereas they possess possibly the best team in the world, their club teams have yet to win a

European trophy The fourth success of Liverpool in the European Cup following that dramatic penalty shoot-out with AS Roma in front of a partisan Roman crowd, was England's eighth in the premier competition and the seventh in the past eight years

It's an amazing success story considering that it came only to England once in the first 21 years — Manchester United beating Benfica at Wembley in

West German's Hamburg are the only side outside this country to have won the trophy since Liverpool lifted it for the since inverpool lined it for the first time against Borussia Moenchengladbach in the same Rome stadium in 1977.
Liverpool's superb victory last season put them level with Spanish giants Real Madrid as

the most successful team in Europe with six trophy wins each, but Real, who won the first five European Cups, have been in 11 Finals to the 'Reas' seven.

English clubs have pocketed nine trophies in the past eight years and last season was the sixth time that England have completed a European 'double

And only six times in the past 21 years have English clubs failed to win at least one of the three European club trophies on offer.

Tottenham's penalty shoot-out victory over defending champions Anderlecht in the

Champions Anderiecht in the UEFA Cup (formerly the Fairs Cup) was England's ninth success in the competition.
English clubs reeled off six successive wins between 1968 and 1973 through Leeds ) twice). Arsenal, Newcastle, Tottenham and Liverpool

Since Liverpool's second triumph in 1976, the UEFA Cup has been a less frequent visitor with only Ipswich (1981) and Tottenham last year bringing it home

Three faces of English success in the European Cup Left. George Best (left) and John Aston parade the trophy at Wembley after Manchester United had become the first English team to win the Cup in 1968. Centre: Liverpool's Alan Kennedy won the Cup against Real Madrid in 1981 and netted the dramatic panalty winner. netted the dramatic penalty winner against Roma last season. Right: Aston Villa goal hero Peter Withe

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#### **EUROPEAN CUP**

May 25, 1967 CELTIC 2 (Gemmell, Chalmers),
INTER MILAN 1 (Mazzola pen)
Celtic: Simpson, Craig, Gemmell,
Murdoch, McNeill, Clark, Johnstone,
Wallace, Chalmers, Auld, Lennox. Att: 56,000 (in Lisbon)

May 29, 1968 MAN. UNITED 4 (Charlton 2, Best, Kidd), BENFICA 1 (Graca) after extratime Man. United: Stepney, Brennan, Dunne, Crerand, Foulkes, Stiles, Best, Kidd, Charlton, Sadler, Aston. Att: 100,000 (at Wembley).

May 25, 1977 LIVERPOOL 3 (McDermott, Smith, Neal pen), BORUSSIA MOENCHENGLADBACH 1 (Simonsen)
Liverpool: Clemence, Neal, Jones,
Smith, Kennedy R, Hughes, Keegan,
Case, Heighway, Callaghan, McDermott. Att: 57,000 (in Rome)

Mary 10, 1978 LIVERPOOL 1 (Dalglish), BRUGES 0 Liverpool: Clemence, Neal, Thompson, Hansen, Hughes, McDermott, Kennedy R, Souness, Case (sub. Heighway), Fairclough, Dalalish Att: 92,000 (at Wembley)

May 30, 1979 NOTT'M FOREST 1 (Francis), MALMO

Nott'm Forest: Shilton, Anderson, Lloyd, Burns, Clark, Francis, McGovern, Bowyer, Robertson, Woodcock, Birtles. Att: 57,500 (in Munich)

May 28, 1980 NOTT'M FOREST 1 (Robertson), HAMBURG 0 Nott'm Forest: Shilton, Anderson, Gray (sub. Gunn), McGovern, Lloyd, Burns, O'Neill, Bowyer, Birtles, Mills (sub. O'Hare), Robertson. Att: 50,00 (in Madrid)

May 27, 1981 LIVERPOOL 1 (Kennedy A), REAL MADRID 0 Liverpool: Clemence, Neal, Kennedy A, Thompson, Kennedy R, Hansen, Dalglish (sub. Case), Lee, Johnson, McDermott, Souness. Att: 48,360 (in Paris)

May 26, 1982 ASTON VILLA 1 (Withe), BAYERN MUNICH 0 Aston Villa: Rimmer (sub. Spink), Swain, Williams, Evans, McNaught, Mortimer, Bremner, Show, Withe, Cowans, Morley. Att: 46,000 (in Rotterdam)

May 30, 1984 LIVERPOOL 1 (Neal), AS ROMA 1 (Pruzzo) after extra-time — Liverpool won on penalties Liverpool: Grobbelaar, Neal. Kennedy A, Lawrenson, Hansen, Lee, Souness, Johnston (sub. Nicol), Whelan, Dalglish (sub. Robinson), Att: 69,693 (in Rome)

#### **EUROPEAN CUP** WINNERS' CUP

May 15, 1963 (Rotterdam) TOTTENHAM 5 (Greaves 2, Dyson 2, White), ATLETICO MADRID 1 (Collar

pen) Tottenham: Brown, Baker, Henry, Blanchflower, Norman, Marchi, Jones, White, Smith, Greaves, Dyson.

May 19, 1965 (Wembley) WEST HAM 2 (Sealey 2), MUNICH 1860 0 West Ham: Standen, Kirkup, Burkett, Peters, Brown, Moore, Sealey, Boyce, Hurst, Dear, Sissons.

April 20, 1970 (Vienna) MAN. CITY 2 (Young, Lee pen), GORNIK ZABRZE 1 (Ozlizlo) Man. City: Corrigan, Book, Pardoe, Doyle (sub. Bowyer), Booth, Oakes, Heslop, Bell, Lee, Young, Towers.

May 19, 1971 (Athens)
CHELSEA 1 (Osgood), REAL MADRID
1 (Zoco) after extra-time Chelsea: Bonetti, Boyle, Harris, Hollins, Dempsey, Webb, Weller, Hudson, Osgood, Cooke, Houseman. Replay: May 21, 1971 (Athens) CHELSEA 2 (Dempsey, Osgood), REAL MADRID 1 (Fleitas)



N EUROPEAN FINALS

Chelsea: Bonetti, Boyle, Harris, Cooke, Dempsey, Webb, Weller, Baldwin, Osgood (sub. Smethurst),

May 24, 1972 (Barcelona) GLASGOW RANGERS 3 (Johnston 2, Stein), DYNAMO MOSCOW 2 (Estekov, Nakovikov) Rangers: McCloy, Jardine, Matthieson, Greig, Johnstone, Smith, McLean, Conn, Stein, MacDonald, Johnston

May 11, 1983 (Gothenburg) ABERDEEN 2 (Black, Hewitt), REAL MADRID 1 (Juaniot pen) after extratime

Aberdeen: Leighton, Rougvie, Miller, McLeish, McMaster, Cooper, Strachan, Simpson, Weir, McGhee, Black (sub. Hewitt).

#### **UEFA/FAIRS CUP**

1968 LEEDS 1, FERENCVAROS 0 First Leg (August 7): Leeds 1 (Jones), Ferencycros 0 Leeds: Sprake, Reaney, Cooper, Bremner, Charlton, Hunter, Lorimer, Madeley, Jones (sub. Belfitt), Giles (sub. Greenhoff), Gray. (Sub. Greenhol), Gray. Second Leg (Sept. 11): Ferencyaros 0, Leeds 0 Leeds: Sprake, Reaney, Cooper, Bremner, Charlton, Hunter, Lorimer, Madeley, Jones, Hibbitt (sub. Bates),

1969 NEWCASTLE 6, UJEST DOSZA 2 First Leg (May 25): Newcastle 3 (Moncur 2, Scott), Ujpest Dosza 0. Newcastle: McFaul, Craig, Clark, Gibb, Burton, Moncur, Scott, Robson, Davies, Arentoft, Sinclair (sub Foggon).
Second Leg (June 11): Ujpest Dosza 2
(Bene, Gorcos), Newcastle 3
(Moncur, Foggon, Arentoft)
Newcastle: McFaul, Craig, Clark,
Gibb, Burton, Moncur, Scott (sub.
Foggon), Robson, Davies, Arentoft,
Sinclair.

ARSENAL 4, ANDERLECHT 3 First Leg (April 22): Anderlecht 3 (Mulder 2, Devrindt), Arsenal 1 (Mulder 2, Devrindt), Arsendi 1 (Kennedy) Arsendi: Wilson, Storey, McNab, Kelly, McLintock, Simpson, Armstrong, Sammels, Radford, George (sub. Kennedy), Graham. Second Leg (April 28): Arsendi 3 (Kelly, Radford, Sammels), Anderlecht 0. Arsenal: Wilson, Storey, McNab, Kelly, McLintock, Simpson, Armstrong, Sammels, Radford, George, Graham

1971 LEEDS 3, JUVENTUS 3 (Leeds won on LEEDS 3, JUVENTUS 3 (Leeds won on away goals rule)
Pirst Leg (May 29): Juventus 2
(Bettega, Capello), Leeds 2
(Madeley, Bates)
Leeds: Sprake, Reaney, Cooper,
Bremner, Charlton, Hunter, Lorimer,
Clarke, Jones (sub. Bates), Giles, Madeley.
Second Leg (June 2): Leeds 1
(Clarke), Juventus 1 (Anastasi)
Leeds: Sprake, Reaney, Cooper,
Bremner, Charlton, Hunter, Lorimer, Clarke, Jones, Giles, Madeley (sub.

1972 TOTTENHAM 3, WOLVES 2 First Leg (May 3): Wolves 1 (McCalliog), Tottenham 2 (Chivers

Tottenham: Jennings, Kinnear, Knowles, Mullery, England, Beal, Coates (sub. Pratt), Perryman, Chivers, Peters, Gilzean. Second Leg (May 17): Tottenham 1 (Mullery), Wolves 1 (Wagstaffe) Tottenham: Jennings, Kinnear, Knowles, Mullery, England, Beal, Coates, Perryman, Chivers, Peters, Gilzean

1973
LIVERPOOL 3, BORUSSIA
MOENCHENGLADBACH 2
First Leg (May 10): Liverpool 3
(Feegan 2, Lloyd), Borussia
Moenchengladbach 0
Liverpool: Clemence, Lawler, Lindsay, Smith, Lloyd, Hughes, Keegan, Cormack, Toshack, Heighway (sub. Hall), Callaghan. Second Leg (May 23): Borussia Moenchengladbach 2 (Heynckes 2), Liverpool 0 Liverpool: Clemence, Lawler, Lindsay, Smith, Lloyd, Hughes, Keegan, Cormack, Heighway (sub. Boersma), Toshack, Callaghan

1976 LIVERPOOL 4, BRUGES 3 First Leg (April 28): Liverpool 3 (Kennedy R. Case, Keegan pen), Bruges 2 (Lambert, Cools) Ruges 2 (Lambert, Cools)
Liverpool: Clemence, Smith, Neal,
Thompson, Kennedy R, Hughes,
Keegan, Fairclough, Heighway,
Toshack (sub. Case), Callaghan.
Second Leg (May 19): Bruges 1
(Lambert pen), Liverpool 1 (Keegan)
Liverpool: Clemence, Smith, Neal,
Thompson, Kennedy R, Hughes,
Keegan, Case, Heighway, Toshack
(sub. Fairclough), Callagham.

1981 IPSWICH 5, AZ '67 ALKMAAR 4 First Leg (May 6): Ipswich 3 (Wark pen, Thijssen, Mariner), AZ '67 Alkmaar 0 Alkmaar 0
Ipswich: Cooper, Mills, McCall,
Thijssen, Osman, Butcher, Wark,
Muhren, Mariner, Gates, Brazil.
Second Leg (May 20): AZ '67
Alkmaar 4 (Welzl, Metgod, Tol,
Jonker), Ipswich 1 (Thijssen, Wark)
Ipswich: Cooper, Mills, McCall,
Thijssen, Osman, Butcher, Wark,
Muhren, Mariner, Brazil, Gates.

TOTTENHAM 2, ANDERLECHT 2 ofter extra-time (Tottenham won on First Leg (May 9): Anderlecht 1 (Olsen), Tottenham 1 (Miller) Tottenham: Parks, Thomas, Roberts, Miller, Hughton, Perryman, Hazard, Stevens (sub. Mabbutt), Galvin, Falco, Archibald. Second Leg (May 23): Tottenham 1 (Roberts), Anderlecht 1 (Czerniatinski) after extra-time Tottenham: Parks, Thomas, Hughton, Roberts, Miller (sub. Ardiles), Mabbutt (sub. Dick), Hazard, Archibald, Falco, Stevens,

Italy Holland 10 11 15 6 3 9 Belgium Portugal 14 Scotland Yugoslavia USSR 84 Hungary East Germany Sweden Czechoslovakia 54 France Switzerland Turkey Greece

ALL-TIME **EUROPEAN TABLE** 

England Spain

Rumania

Austria Bulgaria Poland Wales

West Germany

Wins R/up

10

15

10

Beaten

S-F

24

33

#### **EUROPEAN CUP**

			Beaten
	Wins	R/up	S-F
England	8	1	8
Spain	6	5	9
Italy	4	7	5
West Germany	4	4	5
Holland	4	1	3
Portugal	6 4 4 2 1	3	1
Scotland	1	4 1 3 1 3 1	9 5 5 3 1 6 1 2
France	*****	3	1
Yugoslavia	****	1	2
Sweden	-	1	
Belgium	-	1	2
Greece		1	******
Hungary	********		3
Switzerland		tennes	3
Austria	Minan	-	2
Bulgaria	-	******	2
Czechoslovakia	*****	-	2
Poland		-	2
Rumania	-	******	3 2 2 2 2 1
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#### CUP WINNERS'

	C	UP		Beaten
		Wins	R/up	S-F
Eng	land	4	4	5
Spa	ain	4	4	2
Ital	У	4	2	4
We	st Germany	3	3	7
Sco	otland	2	2	4
Bel	gium	2	4 2 3 2 2	3
US	ŠR	4 4 3 2 2 2	1	2
Eas	t Germany	1	1	5 2 4 7 4 3 2 3 2 2
Por	tugal	1	1	2
Cze	choslovakia	1		2
Hui	ngary	*****	2	1
Pol		-	1	-
Aus	stria	********	1	1
Yug	goslavia	******	-	4
Fra			menne	4
Bul	garia	-	_	1
Wa	les	-	******	1
Hol	land	*****		4

#### **UEFA/FAIRS**

CUP			
	VA/i	P. /	Beaten
	Wins	R/up	S-F
England	9	6	6
Spain	5	3	3
West German	у 3	3	12
Yugoslavia	2	3	4
Italy	2	2	
Holland	5 3 2 2 2	2	2
Hungary	1	3 3 2 2 2	4
Belgium	1	2	6 2 4 4
Sweden	1	-	
France	*****	1	1
Portugal	******	1	terren
Switzerland	-	-	3
Scotland			3 4 1
Turkey	-		1
East Germany	-	*****	1
Greece	was.	-	1
Czechoslovak	ia	-	1
Rumania	-	termin	1

NOW BRIAN WANTS A SECOND CHANCE



**LUTON** striker Brian Stein is determined to regain his England place and prove his critics wrong.

The striker was dubbed an international flop last season after a disappointing performance in England's 2-0 defeat by France in Paris.

Brian paired up with former Luton teammate Paul Walsh for his international debut and he admits: "I let myself down.

"I was desperate to do well but everything went so quickly and it took me too much time to adapt to the different style of play and the players around me.

'Although I was disappointed with my

own form, the team didn't play well either.
"I had just two days with the squad before the game and was then expected to go out and help beat one of the best teams in the world. It was a very tall order.

Despite his poor showing in the Parc des Princes, Paris, Brian is still convinced he can do a job at international level.

He says: "I've still got confidence in my own ability to succeed at the highest level and I yearn for another chance to prove myself.

Since England's French debacle, Brian hasn't figured in any of Bobby Robson's plans - he wasn't even included in the injury-ravaged party for the tour to South

America in the summer.
But he says: "The manager has told me there will be another opportunity for me if I produce the goods and I'm determined

to give it my best.
"When the international call-up came for the game against France, Paul Walsh and I weren't playing particularly well and we didn't do ourselves justice. I'd love the chance to show what I can really do.

Next season is vital to the 26-year-old's international ambitions, but it could also go a long way to deciding Brian's future at Kenilworth Road.

His contract at the club expires at the end of the campaign and Brian hints that he may be looking to take his talents elsewhere

He admits: "The sale of Paul to Liverpool shows that the club just can't compete with the likes of them and Manchester United.

"Luton are never going to be a top club and a player's only chance of winning major honours is if he is signed by one of

the big clubs.
"Paul's move to Anfield was inevitable, although it was a good piece of business by manager David Pleat. He bought him for £200,000 a couple of years ago and then sold him for £800,000."

Brian has been at Kenilworth Road for over six years and he says: "It could be time for a fresh challenge. If you stay in the same place too long, there's the danger you could become stale.

'But a lot depends on how we do this season. At the end of last term, I felt we were just three players away from being a good side.

With the signing of players like classy midfielder Vince Hilaire from Crystal Palace, Brian says: "We should be chasing a place in Europe next term.

'We looked on course for that last season when we were sixth in the First Division at Christmas. But we blew it with a disastrous second half when we were hit by a series of injury problems and the manager had to bring in youngsters

Last season our midfield was a bit of a jumble because Ricky Hill and David Moss struggled a lot with injuries and that left skipper Brian Horton as our only regular in the middle of the park.

"But we won't be able to rely on Brian this term because he's taken over as player-manager at Hull.

STEVE Mackenzie is ready to pick up the pieces of a career shattered by injury.

Since his £650,000 move from Manchester City to West Brom in August 1981, he has been ravaged by injury and, at the end of last season, had made only 56 League appearances for the club.

He admits: "I haven't had a chance to show Albion fans the real Steve Mackenzie. They must be wondering why the club spent so much money on me.

so much money on me.

''It's been soul-destroying
because I was so excited about
the move to The Hawthorns,''
says Steve, who has been
troubled with a stomach injury.

His problems really started before he moved to the Midlands and he admits: "Towards the end of my last season at Maine Road, I felt a nagging pain in my stomach. It was diagnosed as a strain and I thought a summer break would clear it.

"When I moved to West Brom, the pain was still there, but I played the whole season out because the club were in the hunt for honours and I was determined not to miss out."

West Brom reached the Semi-Finals of both the FA Cup and League Cup in the 1981-82 season, but Steve admits: "I was only 90 per cent fit. Twisting and turning was a big problem for me."

The striker accepts that his thirst for glory may have cost him dear as the aggravated injury took much longer to heal.

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"Playing on was a silly thing to
do and I regret it now, but I was
desperate to be part of Albion's
success."

Steve finally had to admit defeat last summer and he travelled down to Harley Street for an expert opinion. The specialist diagnosed a pelvic injury and suggested either a series of injections or an operation.

"I wanted the whole thing sorted out quickly so my first reaction was to go for the op, but I was persuaded to try the alternative and, at first, it seemed to do the trick.

"I felt great after the first

injection and joined the rest of the West Brom lads for preseason training. I really thought my problems were over.

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''l even played in the first
game of the season against
Liverpool and suffered no
reaction.''

That turned out to be the end of Steve's involvement in the 1982-83 season as the trouble flared up again as quickly as it had gone away.

A second injection failed to improve his condition and Steve went back for more tests before finally having the operation.

He set himself a target of being fit for the start of last season, but his injury jinx struck again when he suffered a groin strain.

he suffered a groin strain. He admits: "That was a terrible disappointment and I began to wonder what else could go wrong for me."

He found out what else could go wrong soon enough because he fractured his instep and was back on the dreaded Albion treatment table.

"Although it was no

consolation for me at the time, I was told that niggling injuries tend to crop up when you have been out of action for a while. I was really depressed because all I wanted to do was start playing again."

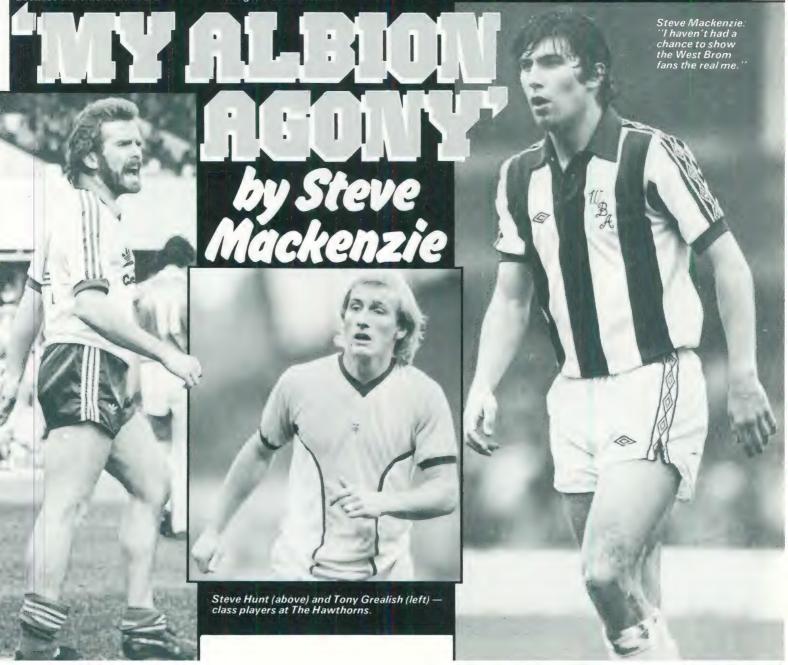
The former Crystal Palace youngster finally made his comeback against Everton in February and he finished the season without missing another game.

But he admits: "I eased myself in gently last season and it won't be until the start of this season that I'll be fully fit and back to my old self.

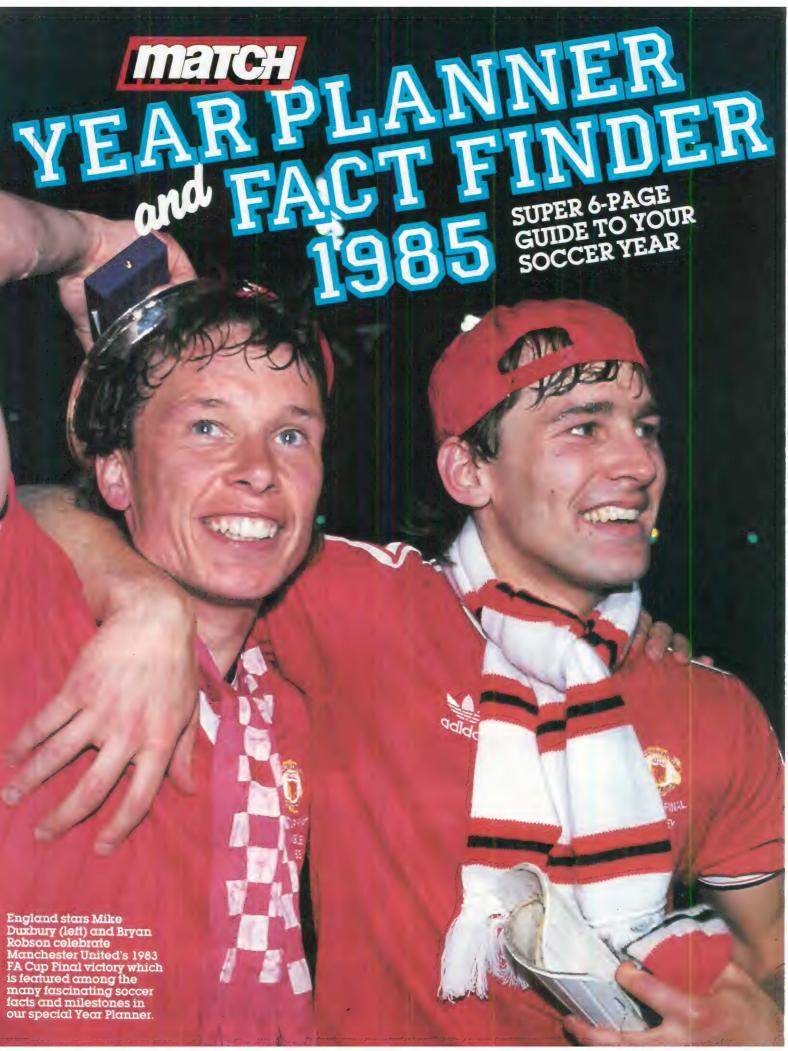
my old self.
''I'm determined that the fans
will see the best of me this
season.''

There is a new air of optimism buzzing around the club following the return to The Hawthorns of Johnny Giles.

Steve says: "Since his return, the manager has brought in class players like Steve Hunt and Tony Grealish and there's a real feeling that Albion could be on the verge of something big."







## JANUARY

1 TUESDAY	20 SUNDAY
III	First League game on a Sunday, Millwall v Fulham, 1974.
2 WEDNESDAY  Top British League gate, 118,567, Rangers v Celtic, 1939.	21 MONDAY
3 THURSDAY	22 TUESDAY
Fastest own-goal, 6 secs, by Torquay's Pat Kruse, 1977.	First radio broadcast, Arsenal v Sheff. United, 1927.
4 FRIDAY	23 WEDNESDAY  John Hewitt (Aberdeen), fastest goal in Scottish Cup history at 9.6 secs, 1982.
5 SATURDAY	24 THURSDAY
6 SUNDAY First Sunday game, Cambridge v Oldham, FA Cup, 1974.	
7 MONDAY	
8 TUESDAY	
9 WEDNESDAY	
10 THURSDAY  First £500,000 transfer, David Mills from Middlesbrough to West Brom, 1979.	AGRA
11 FRIDAY	
12 SATURDAY  First ITV match, Bedford v Arsenal, FA Cup, 1956.	David Mills first \$500,000 transfer.
13 SUNDAY	25 FRIDAY
14 MONDAY	26 SATURDAY
15 TUESDAY	27 SUNDAY  Record three penalties missed in Division One game by Man. City, 1912.
16 WEDNESDAY	28 MONDAY
17 THURSDAY Biggest away win, Clapton 0, Nott'm Forest 14, 1891.	29 TUESDAY
18 FRIDAY	30 WEDNESDAY
19 SATURDAY	31 THURSDAY

#### 1 FRIDAY

Joe Bambrick (Ireland), British international record of 6 goals v Wales, 1930.

#### 2 SATURDAY

More away wins (18) than homes (16) in a League programme, only time since war, 1957.

#### 3 SUNDAY

#### 4 MONDAY

Only one draw in 32 League games played, York v Workington, 1954.

#### 5 TUESDAY

Lowest modern day League gate, 450, Cambridge v Rochdale, 1974.

#### **6 WEDNESDAY**

Munich Air Disaster, 1958, and Stanley Matthews' last League game at age of 50, 1965

#### 7 THURSDAY

8 FRIDAY

First live televised FA Cup tie, Charlton v Blackburn, 1947.

#### 9 SATURDAY

Record 59 League games postponed, 1963.

#### 10 SUNDAY

11 MONDAY

12 TUESDAY

14 THURSDAY

13 WEDNESDAY

First £1 million transfer, Trevor Francis from Birmingham to Nott'm Forest, 1979.

#### 15 FRIDAY

16 SATURDAY

17 SUNDAY

#### 18 MONDAY

England 13, N. Ireland 0 — highest British international score, 1882.

#### 19 TUESDAY

● Trevor Francis . . . first £1 million player.

#### 20 WEDNESDAY

21 THURSDAY

#### 22 FRIDAY

First floodlit League game, Portsmouth v Newcastle, 1956.

#### 23 SATURDAY

Nev Coleman (Stoke) equals Division 2 scoring record with seven goals in one match, 1957.

#### 24 SUNDAY

25 MONDAY

#### 26 TUESDAY

Arsenal's Pat Jennings makes his 1,000th senior appearance, 1983.

#### 27 WEDNESDAY

28 THURSDAY



• Pat Jennings . . . makes his 1,000th senior appearance.

FEBRUARY

## MARCH

1 FRIDAY 13 WEDNESDAY 2 SATURDAY 14 THURSDAY 15 FRIDAY Neil McBain, New Brighton goalkeeper, oldest League player at 52, 1947. First all-ticket game, Scotland v England, 1884. Biggest English gate, 84,569, Man. City v Stoke, FA Cup, 1934. 4 MONDAY 16 SATURDAY First FA Cup Final, Wanderers 1, Royal Engineers 0, 1872. 5 TUESDAY 17 SUNDAY 6 WEDNESDAY 18 MONDAY 19 TUESDAY First Charity Final, Sheff. United v Corinthians, shared after two 2-2 draws, 1878. 20 WEDNESDAY Johnny Lambie, youngest Scottish international at 17 years 92 days, 1886. 21 THURSDAY 22 FRIDAY 23 SATURDAY Wales' record defeat, 9-0 v Scotland, 24 SUNDAY 25 MONDAY Notts County first club to reach 3,000 League matches, 1975. John Charles . . . youngest Welsh international. 26 TUESDAY First Scottish League game under floodlights, Rangers v Queen of the South, 1956. Aberdeen 8, Motherwell 0, record Scottish Premier victory, 1977. 27 WEDNESDAY

John Charles, youngest Welsh international at 18 years 71 days, 1950.

9 SATURDAY

10 SUNDAY

11 MONDAY Norman Kernaghan, youngest Irish international at 17 years, 80 days, 1936

12 TUESDAY

30 SATURDAY

29 FRIDAY

Record Division Four gate, 37,777 C. Palace v Millwall, 1961.

Biggest midweek crowd, 80, 407, Derby v Birmingham, 1946.

Man. City's Billy Meredith, oldest FA Cup player at 49 years, 8 months, 1924.

Duncan Edwards, youngest English international at 18 years 183 days,

Bryan 'Pop' Robson . . . scores 250th League goal.

4 THURSDAY

6 SATURDAY

3 WEDNESDAY

13 SATURDAY

12 FRIDAY

Joe Payne (Luton) record 10 League goals in a game, 1936.

14 SUNDAY

Top European gate in Britain, 135,826, Celtic v Leeds, 1970.

16 TUESDAY

Malcolm Macdonald five goals for England v Cyprus, 1975.

17 WEDNESDAY

18 THURSDAY

19 FRIDAY

20 SATURDAY

Bryan 'Pop' Robson scores his 250th League goal playing for Carlisle, 1982.

Highest scoring First Division draw, Leicester 6, Arsenal 6, 1930.

22 MONDAY

23 TUESDAY

Cardiff take FA Cup out of England for only time, 1927.

24 WEDNESDAY

Biggest British Cup Final gate, 144,303, Aberdeen v Celtic, 1937.

Fastest League goal, 6 secs. by Bradford's Jim Fryatt, 1964.

7 SUNDAY 26 FRIDAY

8 MONDAY 27 SATURDAY

28 SUNDAY 9 TUESDAY

First FA Cup Final at Wembley, Bolton 2, West Ham 0, 1923. All ten First Division matches failed to produce one away goal, 10 WEDNESDAY

29 MONDAY

Shrewsbury's Arthur Rowley beats Dixie Dean's record of 379 League goals, 1961. 11 THURSDAY

30 TUESDAY First FA Cup Final shown live, Preston 1, Huddersfield 0, 1938.

APRIL

## MAY

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1 WEDNESDAY	13 MONDAY
2 THURSDAY Stan Mortensen (Blackpool) only FA Cup Final hat-trick this century, 1953.	14 TUESDAY
3 FRIDAY Newcastle first team this century to retain FA Cup, 1952.	15 WEDNESDAY Tottenham gain first British success in Europe, winning Cup Winners' Cup, 1963.
4 SATURDAY	16 THURSDAY
	17 FRIDAY Tottenham beat Wolves in only all-British European Final, UEFA Cup, 1972.
	18 SATURDAY Real Madrid win fifth successive European Cup, 1960.
	19 SUNDAY
	20 MONDAY Ipswich's John Wark equals European record with 14 goals in the UEFA Cup, 1981.
	21 TUESDAY
	22 WEDNESDAY
Paul Allen youngest FA Cup Finalist.	23 THURSDAY England's biggest defeat, 1-7 v Hungary, 1954.
5 SUNDAY	24 FRIDAY
6 MONDAY	25 SATURDAY Celtic first British team to win European Cup, 1967.
7 TUESDAY	26 SUNDAY
8 WEDNESDAY	27 MONDAY Lowest British Championship gate, 2,315, Wales v N. Ireland, 1982. Diego Maradona transferred to Barcelona for world record £4.2 million, 1982.
9 THURSDAY	28 TUESDAY
10 FRIDAY West Ham's Paul Allen, youngest FA Cup Finalist, at 17 years 245 days, 1980. Liverpool first British club to retain European Cup, 1978.	29 WEDNESDAY Man. United first English team to win European Cup, 1968.
11 SATURDAY	30 THURSDAY

31 FRIDAY

12 SUNDAY



Alan Mullery ... first England player sent off.

3 MONDAY

1 SATURDAY

2 SUNDAY

**4 TUESDAY** 

5 WEDNESDAY
Allan Mullery first England player to be sent off, 1968.

6 THURSDAY England's first match against foreign opposition v Austria, 1908.

7 FRIDAY

8 SATURDAY

9 SUNDAY

10 MONDAY

11 TUESDAY

12 WEDNESDAY

13 THURSDAY
Real Madrid win first European Cup,
1956.

14 FRIDAY

15 SATURDAY

16 SUNDAY

England's Bryan Robson scores fastest World Cup Final goal at 27 seconds, 1982.

17 MONDAY

Brazil retain World Cup in Chile, 1962.

18 TUESDAY

West Germany win European Championship, 1972.

19 WEDNESDAY

Scotland's biggest defeat, 1-7 v Uruguay, 1954.

20 THURSDAY

Czechoslovakia win European Championship on penalties, 1976.

21 FRIDAY

Brazil win World Cup for a record third time, 1970.

22 SATURDAY

23 SUNDAY

24 MONDAY

25 TUESDAY

26 WEDNESDAY

27 THURSDAY

Total Multiple and West Community

• Gerd Muller . . . star of West Germany's 1972 European Championship team.

28 FRIDAY

29 SATURDAY

England lose 1-0 to United States in first World Cup venture, 1950.

30 SUNDAY

JUNE

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1 MONDAY	20 SATURDAY
2 TUESDAY	21 SUNDAY
3 WEDNESDAY	22 MONDAY
4 THURSDAY West Germany win World Cup in Berne, 1954.	181 60 15
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7 SUNDAY West Germany win World Cup in Munich, 1974.	1
8 MONDAY	40
9 TUESDAY	
10 WEDNESDAY USSR win first European Championship, 1960.	Geoff Hurst England World Cup hat- trick hero.
11 THURSDAY	23 TUESDAY Argentina's Rattin first player sent off at Wembley, 1966.
12 FRIDAY	24 WEDNESDAY
13 SATURDAY First World Cup goal scored by France's Louis Laurent v Mexico, 1930.	25 THURSDAY
14 SUNDAY	26 FRIDAY
15 MONDAY	27 SATURDAY
16 TUESDAY	28 SUNDAY
17 WEDNESDAY	29 MONDAY
18 THURSDAY	30 TUESDAY England win World Cup at Wembley, 1966. Uruguay win first World Cup, 1930.

31 WEDNESDAY

19 FRIDAY

Geoff HurstEngland World Cup hat- ck hero.
3 TUESDAY gentina's Rattin first player sent off at embley, 1966.
WEDNESDAY

#### 1 THURSDAY

Penalties decide League Cup tie for first time with Barnsley beating Lincoln, 1979.

#### 2 FRIDAY

#### 21 WEDNESDAY

20 TUESDAY

Charlton's Keith Peacock, first substitute used in Football League, 1965.

#### 3 SATURDAY 22 THURSDAY

First BBC 'Match of the Day', Liverpool v Arsenal, 1964.

#### 4 SUNDAY 23 FRIDAY

#### 5 MONDAY

#### 24 SATURDAY

Barrow's Bobby Knox first League substitute to score, 1965.

#### **6 TUESDAY** 25 SUNDAY

Numbers worn for first time, 1928.

#### 7 WEDNESDAY 26 MONDAY

#### 8 THURSDAY 27 TUESDAY

#### 9 FRIDAY

John Brown (Hamilton) first Scottish League hat-trick from full-back with a penalty, 1980.

#### 10 SATURDAY

#### 28 WEDNESDAY

Everton 8, Wimbledon 0, equals biggest League Cup victory, 1978.

#### 29 THURSDAY

#### 11 SUNDAY

12 MONDAY

#### 30 FRIDAY

Dundee's Bobby Ford scores first Premier Division goal after 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  minutes v Aberdeen, 1975.

#### 31 SATURDAY

#### 13 TUESDAY

First Scottish League substitute, Archie Gemmill (St Mirren), 1966.

#### 14 WEDNESDAY

#### 15 THURSDAY

16 FRIDAY

#### 17 SATURDAY

#### 18 SUNDAY

Dundee's Ian Redford youngest man to score a Premier Division hat-trick at 19 years 135 days, 1979.

#### 19 MONDAY



• Archie Gemmill . . . first Scottish League

AUGUST

## SEPTEMBER

#### 1 SUNDAY

Chelsea's George Hilsdon scores record five goals on League debut v Glossop, 1906.

2 MONDAY

3 TUESDAY

4 WEDNESDAY

11,000th goal 5 THURSDAY

6 FRIDAY

7 SATURDAY

a's George Hilsdon scores record Rlackburn's

Blackburn's Jimmy McIntyre scores four goals in five minutes, 1922.

17 TUESDAY

18 WEDNESDAY

19 THURSDAY

20 FRIDAY

21 SATURDAY

England 0, Eire 2 — first home defeat by team outside British Isles, 1949.

22 SUNDAY

John MacDonald scores Rangers' 11,000th goal, 1982.

23 MONDAY

24 TUESDAY

25 WEDNESDAY

26 THURSDAY

Fulham's Maurice Cook scores first goal in League Cup, 1960.

SUNDAY 27 FRIDAY

First own goal in League tootball by Aston Villa's George Cox, 1888.

John MacDonald ... scored Rangers'

Aston Villa win first League Cup, 1961

9 MONDAY First live League game, Blackpool v Bolton, 1960.

10 TUESDAY

15 SUNDAY

11 WEDNESDAY Leeds first winners of Fairs Cup, 1968.

12 THURSDAY

Arbroath 36, Bon Accord 0, British record win, 1885.

13 FRIDAY

14 SATURDAY 29 SUNI

Chelsea 13, Jeuness Hautcharage 0, biggest British victory in Europe, 1971.

28 SATURDAY

 Billy Bremner . . . led Leeds to their Fair Cup triumph.

30 MONDAY

 Bryan Robson . . . British record transfer at £1.5 million.

1 TUESDAY

Bryan Robson joins Man. United for British record £1.5 million, 1981.

2 WEDNESDAY

First red card shown to Wolves' Dave Wagstaffe, 1976.

3 THURSDAY

4 FRIDAY

5 SATURDAY
Len Shackleton scores record six goals on debut for Newcastle, 1946.

6 SUNDAY

Coventry stage first closed circuit coverage of match at Cardiff, 1965.

7 MONDAY

8 TUESDAY

9 WEDNESDAY

10 THURSDAY

First League goal direct from a corner by Huddersfield's Billy Smith, 1924.

12 SATURDAY

14 MONDAY

13 SUNDAY

15 TUESDAY

Preston 26, Hyde 0 — English record score, 1887.

16 WEDNESDAY

17 THURSDAY

18 FRIDAY

Swindon's John Trollope sets new record of 765 appearances for one club, 1980.

19 SATURDAY

Celtic 7, Rangers 1 — biggest Cup Final victory, 1957.

20 SUNDAY

Billy Foulkes (Newcastle) scores with first kick in international football for Wales, 1951.

21 MONDAY

22 TUESDAY

23 WEDNESDAY

FA Centenary, England 2, Rest of the World 1, 1963.

24 THURSDAY

25 FRIDAY

Terry Paine sets new League appearance

record of 765, 1975.

26 SATURDAY

27 SUNDAY

28 MONDAY

29 TUESDAY

Eire's biggest defeat, 7-1 v Czechoslovakia, 1961.

30 WEDNESDAY

31 THURSDAY

31 THURSDAY

**OCTOBER** 

NOV	EMBER
1 FRIDAY	16 SATURDAY
2 SATURDAY	17 SUNDAY
3 SUNDAY Murdo MacLeod scores Celtic's 200th goal in Europe, 1982.	18 MONDAY
4 MONDAY	19 TUESDAY  Jimmy Greaves youngest player to reach 100 League goals at 20 years 261 days, 1960.
5 TUESDAY	20 WEDNESDAY  Ted MacDougall (Bournemouth) FA Cup record nine goals against Margate, 1971.
ATTEN .	21 THURSDAY



6 WEDNESDAY

7 THURSDAY

8 FRIDAY

9 SATURDAY

10 SUNDAY

11 MONDAY

12 TUESDAY

13 WEDNESDAY

14 THURSDAY

Bobby Moore's England career ends with record 108 caps, 1974.

15 FRIDAY

First colour transmission, Liverpool v West Ham, 1969.

24 SUNDAY 25 MONDAY England lose home record to Continental opposition, 6-3 v Hungary, 1953. 26 TUESDAY Scott Endersby (Kettering) youngest FA Cup player at 15 years 288 days, 1977.

27 WEDNESDAY

22 FRIDAY

23 SATURDAY

28 THURSDAY

First floodlit game between League clubs, Carlisle v Darlington, at St James' Park, 1955.

29 FRIDAY

30 SATURDAY

First Scotland v England international, 1872.



Scott Endersby ... youngest FA Cup player.

1 SUNDAY 20 FRIDAY

2 MONDAY

21 SATURDAY

22 SUNDAY

3 TUESDAY

**4 WEDNESDAY** 

**5 THURSDAY** Only League game without a corner being recorded, Newcastle v Portsmouth,

6 FRIDAY

7 SATURDAY

8 SUNDAY

9 MONDAY

10 TUESDAY

Burslem Port Vale 0, Sheff. United 10, record away win, 1892.

11 WEDNESDAY

12 THURSDAY

13 FRIDAY

Scotland's first home defeat by foreign opposition v Austria, 1950.

Ted Drake (Arsenal) equals Division One record of seven goals in a match, 1935.

15 SUNDAY

Luther Blissett first black player to score for England, 1982.

16 MONDAY

17 TUESDAY

Biggest League Cup gate outside Wembley, 63,488, Man. United v Man. City, 1969.

18 WEDNESDAY

19 THURSDAY

• Luther Blissett . . . first black player to score for England.

23 MONDAY

24 TUESDAY

25 WEDNESDAY

Fastest sending off, 20 secs, Wrexham's Ambrose Brown, 1936.

26 THURSDAY

Record Division Three gate, 49,309, Sheff. Wed. v Sheff. United, 1979.

27 FRIDAY

Birmingham's Tony Coton saves a penalty with his first touch in senior football, 1980.

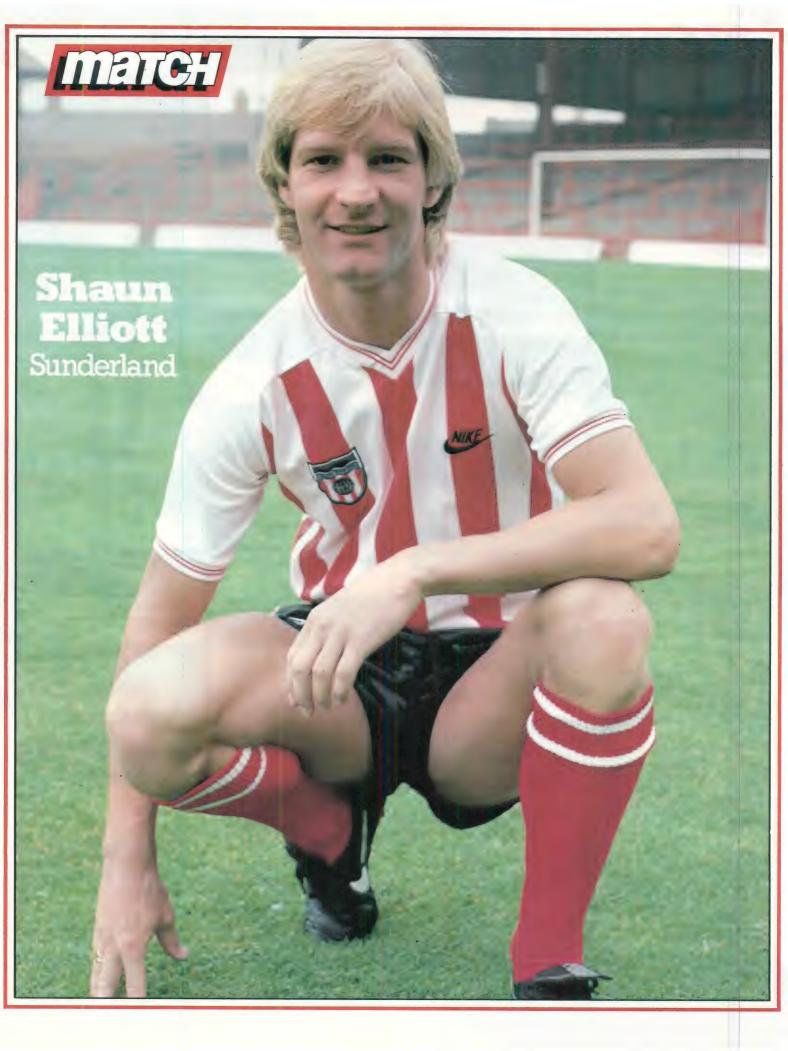
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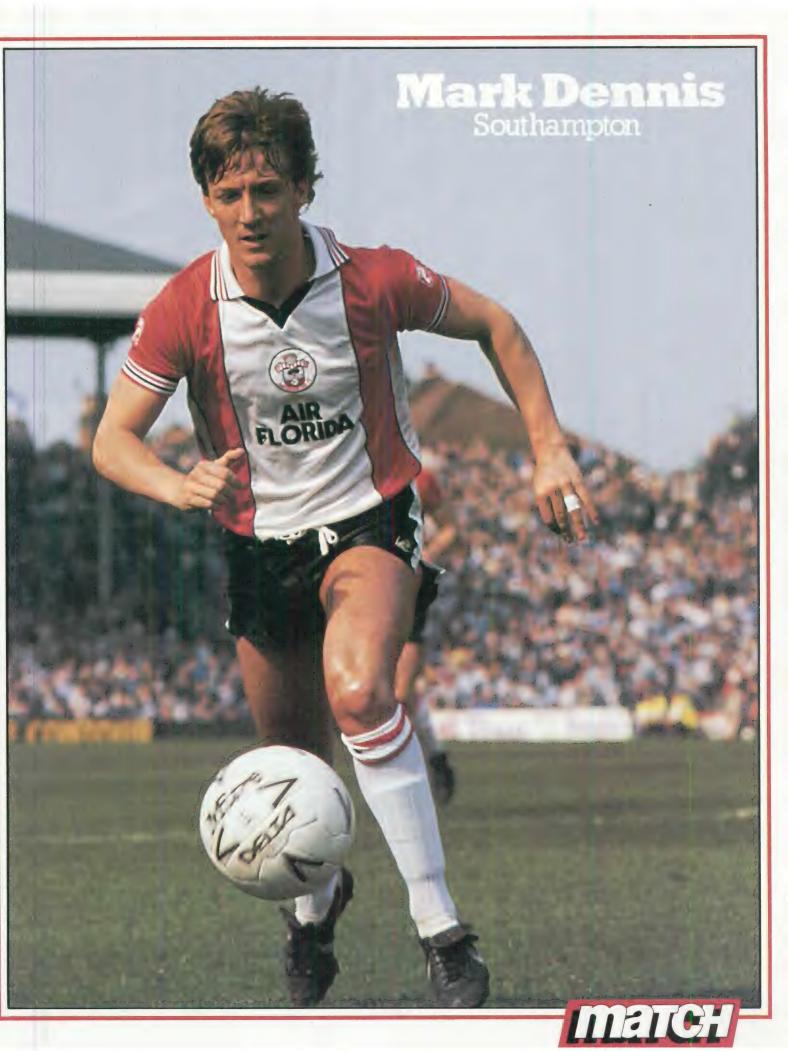
29 SUNDAY

30 MONDAY

31 TUESDAY

DECEMBER





TOTTENHAM'S UEFA Cup hero Tony Parks admits that he was ready to leave White Hart Lane last season.

Tony, whose two stupendous saves in the dramatic penalty shoot-out against Anderlecht of Belgium brought the Cup to Spurs for the second time. admits: "I couldn't see a future for myself at the club

With just three first team games to my credit I was going nowhere fast and getting increasingly frustrated with life

in the reserves.

"With a player of the calibre of former England international Ray Clemence in front of me, I just couldn't see myself breaking into the side.
"The worse time for me was last term when Par work."

last term when Ray went through a bad patch and conceded 15 goals in five games and I still didn't get a chance.

"It was then that I discussed

moving away from Tottenham with my family. "I would have gone to a Second or Third Division club just to have got the experience of playing in the first team."

But before the pint-sized keeper, one of the smallest in the Canon League, could confront his manager Keith Burkinshaw, stalwart Ray suffered an injury on the eve of Tottenham's Milk Cup replay with London neighbours Fulham.

Remembers the 21-year-old: "All of a sudden my luck changed. I was in the side and playing well. Even when Ray recovered his fitness the boss

kept faith in me.

But fate dealt a cruel blow to the young Londoner and he became an injury victim. Tony says: "Ray came back in and I thought that was the end of me. I expected him to stay in the team for the rest of the season."

However Tony was wrong again when he got a chance to take over from the former Liverpool star for the game against Wolves in March, and he never looked back keeping his place for the rest of the season.

Tony's season culminated in his heroics against the Belgians in the UEFA Cup Final



Tony Parks - ready to quit Tottenham last season.



save Anderlecht's first penalty from Morten Olsen.

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reveals UEFA Tony Pa

Second Leg at White Hart

Many people doubted the wisdom of keeping faith with the youngster for such an important match and called for the return of veteran Ray, whose experience they reckoned could prove vital on an emotion-charged night

But Tony proved them all wrong and kept his best until last. After having virtually nothing to do during normal and extra-time, his mettle was put to the severest test in the penalty shoot-out.

He remembers: "I got off to a great start by saving the first kick, but then misjudged the next three

That didn't seem to matter when young full-back Danny Thomas stepped up to take Spurs last effort. A goal would have clinched the trophy for the 'Cockerels'.

But Danny missed and once again it all rested on Tony's shoulders. He says: "I didn't think I'd have to make another save until that miss.

"It was very nerve-racking but while I was waiting for the kick to be taken I kept thinking about what Ray Clemence had told me at the end of extra-time 'you could be a hero toniaht'

And hero Tony proved to be with a superb turn to his right to stop Arnor Gudjohnsen's blaster.

"After that," admits Tony,
"Everything is a blur. It was the
biggest thrill of my life and at the time was just too much to take in

Despite having become a star overnight, Tony knows that he faces another tough battle this season to establish himself as Tottenham's number one.

He says: "Ray and I reported for pre-season training on equal terms. It's up to me to prove I'm worthy of my place all over again.

'Ray has told me that this season will be much more difficult than the last because I won't be an unknown quantity. Opposition strikers will know my strengths and weaknesses."

The rivalry between the two talented 'keepers may be intense on the field, but off the park Tony and Ray are firm



friends

And Tony admits: "I've so much to thank Ray for. He has taught me a lot. Even when I was keeping him out of the side last term he never hesitated to offer me advice.

The battle for that number one shirt looks as though it will go on for some time yet. Ray

go on for some time yet, kay signed a new three-year contract in the close season, while Tony tied himself to White Hart Lane for another two. Says Tony. "I'm still young and learning the game and who better to help me than one of the best 'keepers in the country." country.

ANFIELD'S 'Clown Prince' Bruce Grobbelaar feared his extrovert antics had cost him his Liverpool career

In his early days with the Merseyside giants, his eccentricities coupled with his inexperience led to heated arguments with his team-mates.

They also landed him in hot water with former manager Bob Paisley who warned him about his outlandish tricks.

Admits the Zimbabwe-born keeper: "I used to do silly things at silly times and probably overdid the clowning.

"I was certainly too flamboyant for my team-mates' liking. I could feel the tension building up between us during the games

"Sometimes this would lead to heated arguments both on and off the field.

#### SIGNAL

Things came to a head when Liverpool played Manchester City on Boxing Day, 1981, as Bruce 'We lost 3-1 and two of the goals were down to me.

I thought I was going to lose

my place and I realised that if I was left out, it might signal the end of my career

Liverpool would have wasted little time in signing a new goalkeeper."

Bruce joined Liverpool over four years ago when established number one Ray Clemence left for Spurs

Although he had confidence in his own ability, he admits that his inexperience often led to mistakes and he says: "It put pressure on my relationship with the rest of the team.

"The Liverpool defence had

built up such a good understanding with Ray Clemence and for most of that time he was England's number one choice.

Suddenly they were faced with a completely new situation because my style and personality was a lot different to Ray's.

#### CONFUSION

"They weren't too sure what to expect and sometimes when I raced out of my area to go for a through ball, there was confusion.

Following his disaster against Manchester City, Bruce claims his team-mates were 'stand-offish' but he says: "Bob Paisley stood by

"He picked me for the next game and he announced at the selection meeting that the moves which led to City's goals could have been broken up before

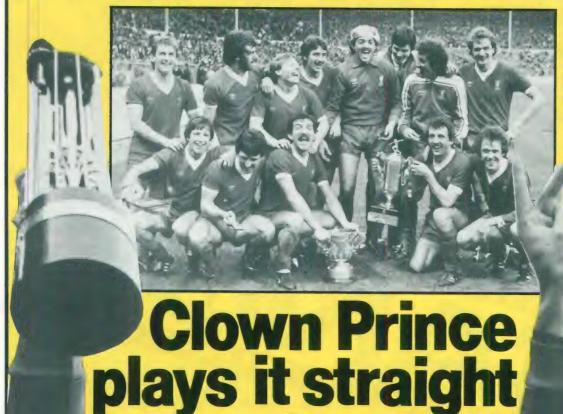
they got to me.
"But he did give me a ticking off once about my antics.

> "He suggested I cut out standing on my hands during a game and pick a more suitable moment-such as during the pre-match kick-about.

"I haven't stopped clowning around completely, however, but now I pick my moments.

"I still talk to the fans, but now I wait until the ball is at the other end instead of when an opponent is about to take a corner kick!

After his talk with Mr Paisley, things improved for the likeable Rhodesian who has now established himself as one of the top keepers in the Canon League.

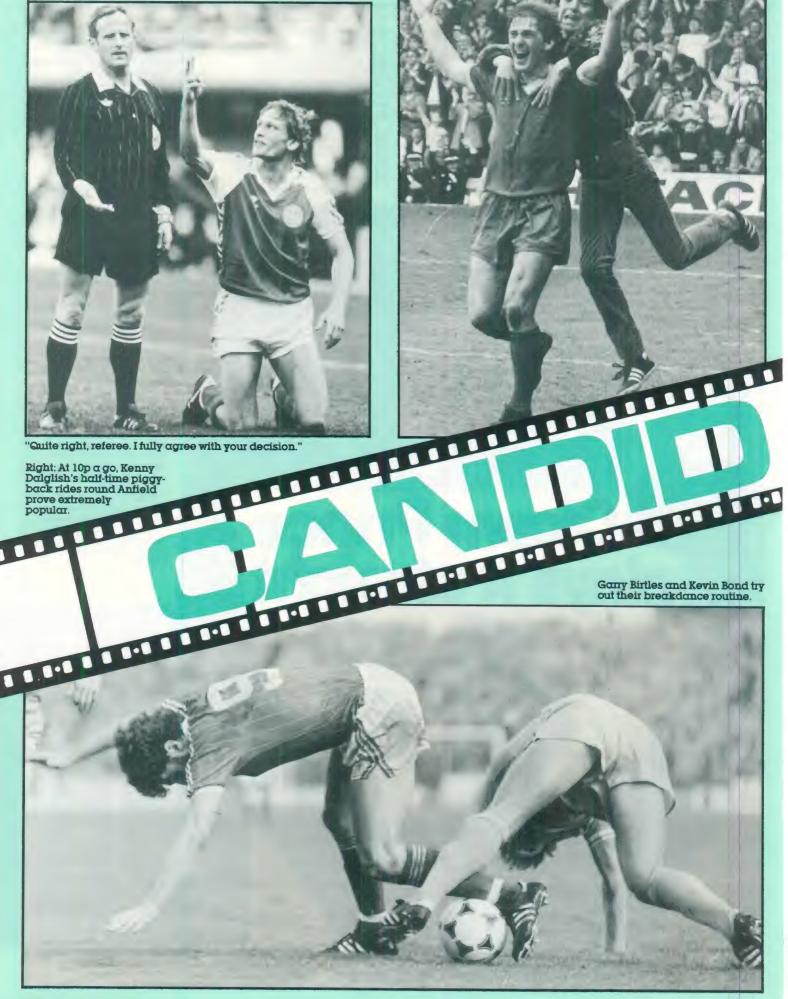


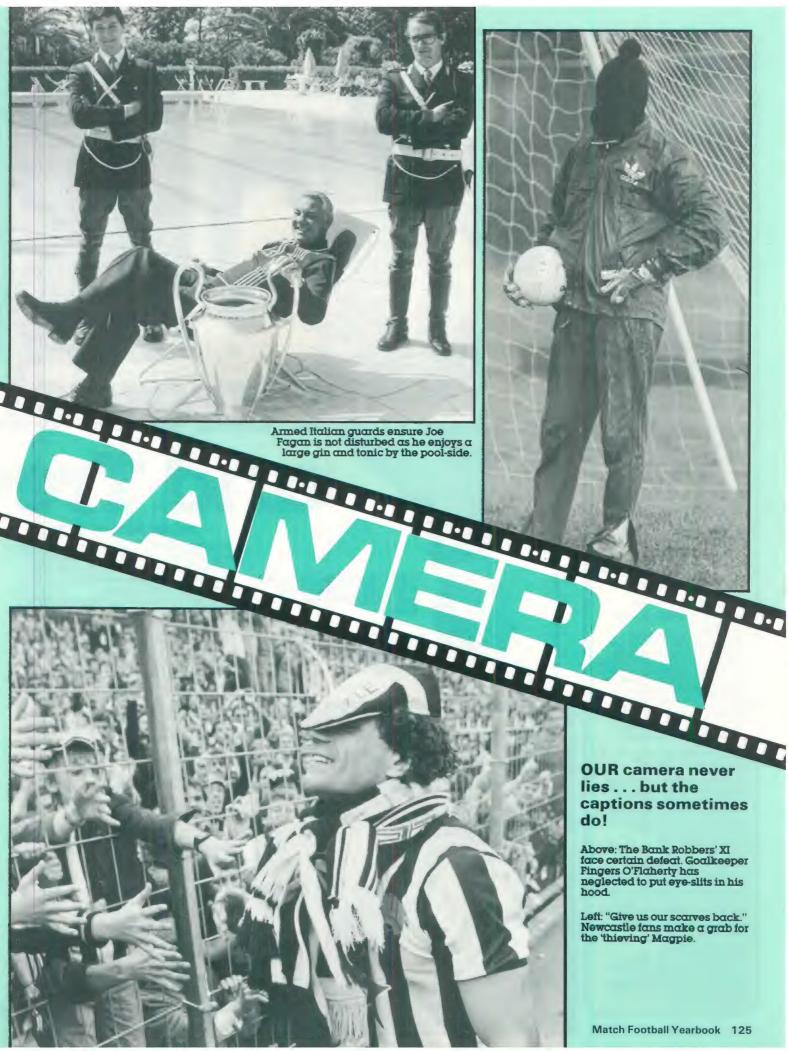
Above: The centre of attention. The Clown Prince up to his tricks after Liverpool's Milk Cup triumph over Spurs

Complete with funny cap and dickie bow, Bruce holds the First Division Championship trophy aloft at Anfield.



Bruce finds time for a light-hearted exchange with the fans as he waits for a corner to be taken - but the joking had to stop





#### TWENTY QUESTIONS

(from Pages 92, 93)

1 Paul Walsh (then Luton) and Colin Walsh (Nottingham Forest); 2 Graeme Sharp and Andy Gray; 3 York became the first ever team to total 100 League points; 4 Trevor Francis (Sampdoria), Luther Blissett (AC Milan), Liam Brady (Juventus), Joe Jordan (AC Milan); 5 Graeme Hogg (Manchester United); 6 Trevor Senior (Reading) 36; Ally McCoist (Rangers) formerly with Sunderland); 8 Athletico Bilbao, Benfica, Dinamo Bucharest; 9 Terry Neill (Arsenal, replaced by Don Howe), Richie Barker (Stoke, replaced by Bill Asprey), Alan Durban (Sunderland, replaced by Len Ashurst) and Ron Wylie (West Brom, replaced by Johnny Giles); 10 Mark McGhee (now Hamburg) scored for Aberdeen against Celtic in the Scottish Cup Final; 11 Sunderland and Wolves; 12 Oxford (Milk Cup) and Bournemouth (FA Cup); 13 Brian McClair Joined Celtic from Motherwell; 14 Danny Thomas (Spurs) and Steve Nicol (Liverpool); 15 George Reilly; 16 Steve Moran and Danny Wallace; 17 Andy Gray (Everton); 18 Huddersfield, Leicester, Bolton, Birmingham, Leeds, Sunderland, Southampton; 19 Sheffield Wednesday, Sheffield United, York and Doncaster; 20 Forfar and East Fife

#### DO YOU KNOW YOUR SOCCER?

(from Pages 36, 37)

SPOT THE STAR: Mike Thomas GOOD FOR A START: 1 Stoke; 2 Port Vale; 3 Wrexham; 4 Charlton; 5 Manchester United; 6 Spurs. TOP TEN QUIZ: 1 Hull; 2 49; 3 Dens Park; 4 York, Doncaster, Reading and Bristol City; 5 Huddersfield; 6 Steve Archibald; 7 Oldham; 8 Once; 9 Bobby Campbell; 10 John Barnes and Mark Hateley PLAYER JUMBLE: 1 Peter Reid (Everton); 2 Alan Kennedy (Liverpool); 3 Jim Leighton (Aberdeen). BADGE POSER: 1 Port Vale; 2 Shrewsbury; 3 Oxford; 4 Stockport STOP THE ACTION: 1981 FA Cup

Final Replay, Manchester City 2 Tottenham 3; 2 Joe Corrigan (Brighton), Ricky Villa (America) and Tommy Caton (Arsenal); 3 He scored for both sides; 4 Ipswich and Wolves.

MATCH 'EM UP: 1-D; 2-A; 3-E; 4-B;

BLANKETY BLANK: 1 Kenny Dalglish, Ipswich; 2 Tottenham beat Anderlecht (Belgium) at White Hart Lane; 3 Bryan Robson, West Brom; 4 Bournemouth; 5 Chris Woods (Norwich); 6 Michel Platini against Belgium and Yugoslavia. TRUE OR FALSE: 1 True; 2 False; 3

True; 5 True; 6 True; 7 True;

SPOT THE BALL: C



ENGLISH football lost not one, bu TWO of its favourite sons last season.

As Kevin Keegan kicked his last ball for Newcastle — shooting them back to Division One — his old international team-mate Trevor Brooking bid farewell to the West Ham faithful

Trevor's decision to quit at the age of 35 and after 19 fabulous years at Upton Park was not unexpected, but Kevin's came as more of a shock for football followers everywhere

Two years younger than Trevo Kevin was playing as well as ever, but the former 'Hammers' favourite respects and understands his pal's wish to bow out at the top.

Says Trevor: "I'm sure people thought Kevin could go on playing for a while longer, but he has always been at the top of his trade and that was how he wished to be remembered.

**Bobby Moore says** 

TREVOR Brooking was almost sent packing by West Ham before his career had begun.

When he was in his teens, the club was prepared to let him go because they didn't think he was good enough.

His calm and leisurely approach, which later became the trademark of his game, was misinterpreted and the coaching staff thought he was just plain lazy.

They doubted his dedication and desire to succeed, but thankfully they persevered with him and their faith was well rewarded.

He proved himself to be an exceptionally talented and gifted player with a subtle touch and tremendous ability to run with the ball and take people on.

He enjoyed a marvellous career and was a great advert for the game at club and international level alike.

#### Phil Neal says

THERE'S no one around at the moment who has contributed more to the game than Kevin Keegan.

The 'wee man' was a great advert for the game and will be sadly missed.

His biggest asset on the field was his battling quality. He just never gave up and his bubbling enthusiasm was an inspiration to the players around him. 9

#### Ron Greenwood says

TREVOR Brooking was the most outstanding

player of his era . . . With his grace, style and poise he was the epitome of skill. He had panache and technique.

I've known Trevor since he was a 15-yearold apprentice at Upton Park and I'm proud to have been associated with him.

He's been a great ambassador both on and off the field and a tremendous example to youngsters.

was delighted to see him p Newcastle back to the First ision in his last season and sure everyone wishes him for the future.

he England fans of this era surely treasure the memory he delightful Keeganoking understanding at rnational level

adly the partnership which so on sparked off an England al was destined never to grace cer's greatest stage

oth were injured prior to the de just fleeting appearances ingland's last game.

'm sure both Kevin and I look ck on that with a tinge of ret," says Trevor.

it's strange in a way to think have both waved goodbye to tball at the same time. But I certainly be renewing my tnership with Kevin ... on the Kevin and former Liverpool team-mate Ian Callaghan go on a lap of honour after his only FA Cup triumph.

King Kev the toff!

#### Joey Jones says

I will always cherish the memories of the time I played alongside Kevin Keegan at Liverpool.

He was one of the greatest ambassadors of the game Britain has known and his absence is a great loss.

It will fill me with pride to be able to tell my kids that I

played in the same team as Kevin.

He was a model professional and his contribution to the game was immense. I was privileged to experience his skill and ability at first hand. 9

#### Phil Parkes says

MAYBE Trevor Brooking didn't have the pace or aggression of some players, but he had a brain that was second to none

He made the ball do all the work and on form he was the man who made West Ham and England tick.

That was never more apparent than in England's final game of the 1982 World Cup Finals against Spain.

It had been a drab affair before he came on and within five minutes he'd set up an excellent chance for Kevin Keegan.

Trevor was the first gentleman of football and I have nothing but admiration for him.

#### Mike Channon says

IT'S a great shame that Kevin Keegan decided to quit as he will be a terrific loss to the game. He epitomised everything that is good about

Football can't afford to lose people like Kevin. There aren't enough players around like him.

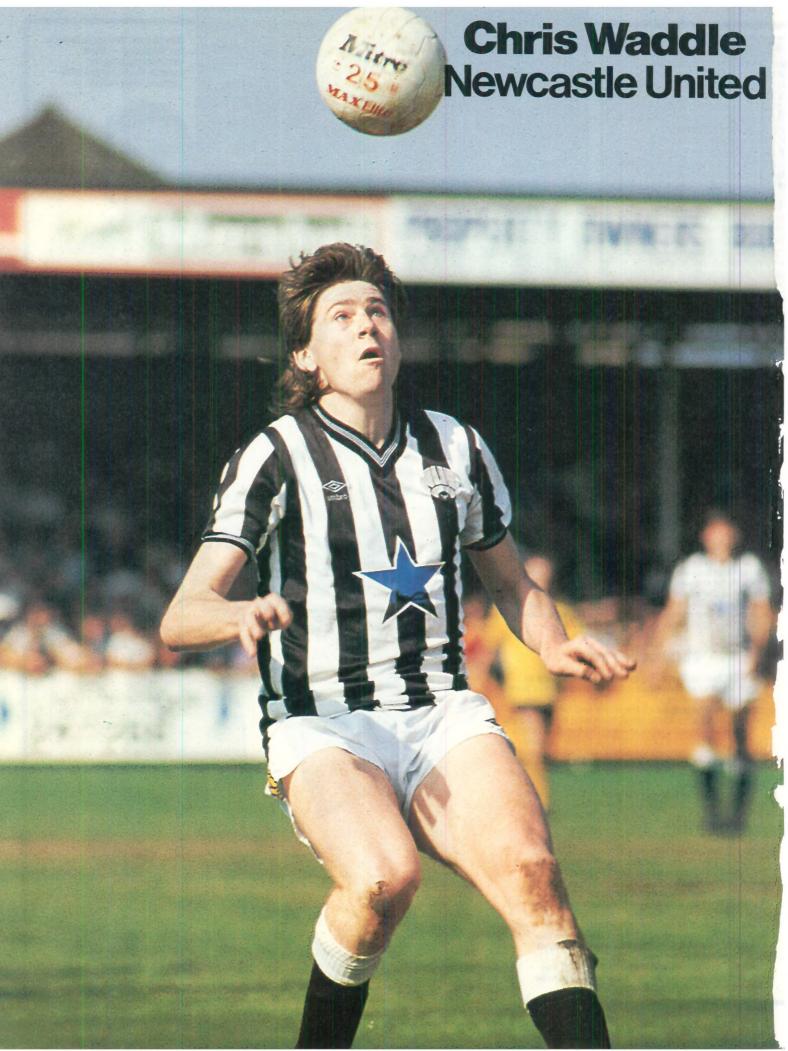
Just before he made his decision to quit, I still rated him as one of the best strikers in the country. But he always said he wanted to pull out while he was on top.

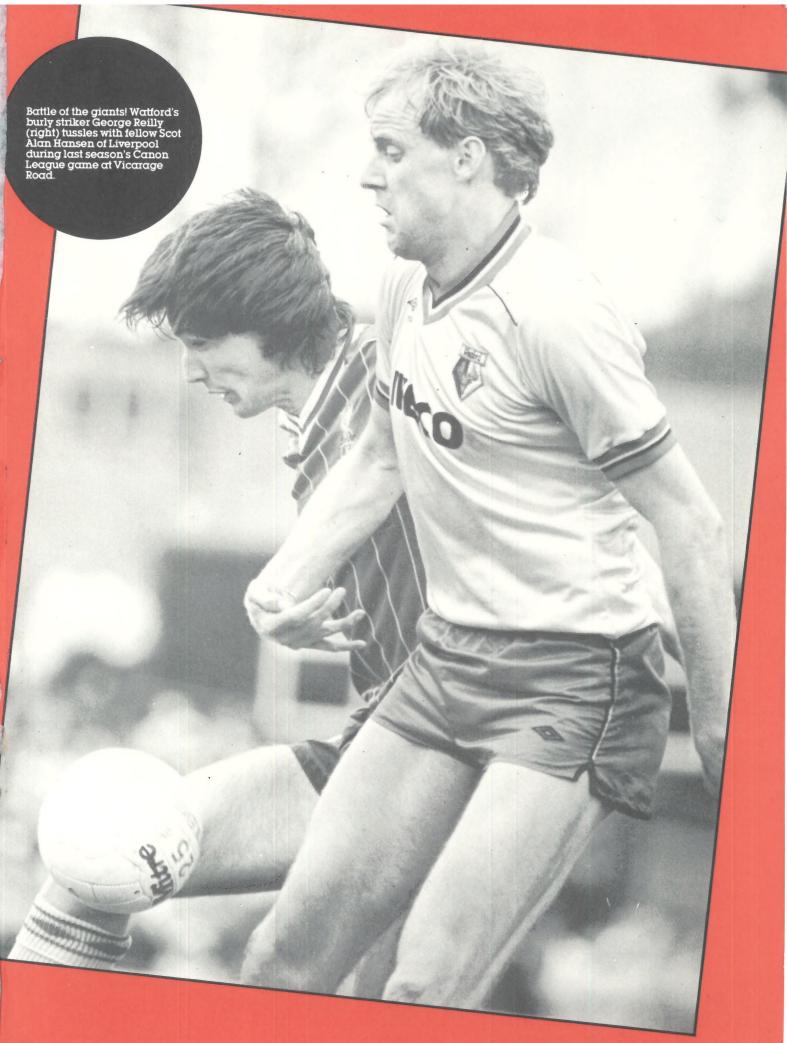
Kevin was totally dedicated and one of the hardest trainers I've come across. His attitude was an example to all. \$



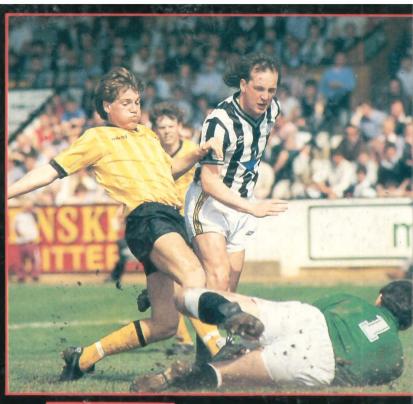
Kevin and Trevor in action

for England — their understanding at









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